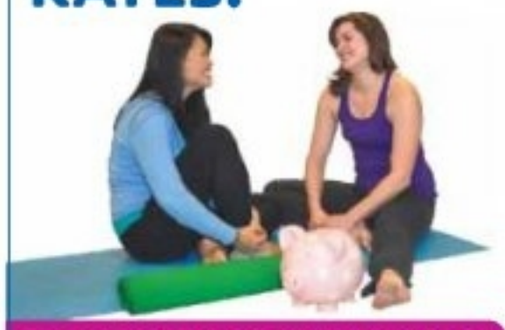
**NEW IN THE**
NEW YEAR

# LOOKING AHEAD AT 2012

- **Television** 'Finder': A drama that isn't afraid to be funny {page 12}
- **Dating** Moving on and moving up {page 14}

metro®
BOSTON
Thursday, January 12, 2012
letters@metro.us
Max 47°
Min 38°

WE'VE LOWERED MEMBERSHIP RATES!
the Y

NO JOINER FEE IN JANUARY
YMCA OF GREATER BOSTON
ymcaboston.org

NICOLAUS CZARNECKI/METRO

# T cuts, fare hikes bad for your health

- MBTA expects to lose millions of trips each year under proposals
- Excess pollution as riders return to cars can be harmful, researchers say {page 02}

▶ With the T predicting millions of lost trips each year due to transit cuts and fare hikes, more drivers and more pollution might be on the way.

News

## Not sweet: Hostess bankrupt

- Maker of Twinkies, Ho Hos can't keep up with interest payments
- Not their first brush with being broke {page 09}

## 'Like we never stopped playing'

Joe Pernice on reuniting Scud Mountain Boys after 14 years of not talking {page 18}

club metro
NETFLIX
ENTER FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A 6 MONTH MEMBERSHIP TO NETFLIX!!
Log on to www.metro.us/boston/clubmetro for your chance to win!
Sign up for Club Metro and stay in the loop to win great prizes and receive special offers!

LESLEY UNIVERSITY
Graduate & Adult Bachelor's Programs Open House
Arts | Counseling | Education | Expressive Therapies | Intercultural Relations | Self-Designed
Thursday, January 19 at 5:00 pm
Porter Square, Cambridge
www.lesley.edu/metro

## In the news

**$5.7M**

**Amount Elizabeth Warren, the Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate, has raised for her war chest during the fourth quarter of 2011. According to reports, Warren has 23,000 Massachusetts contributors.**

METRO

## Today's local tweet

**"Saw a homeless man downtown trying to sell copies of the Metro. Price gouging or brilliant entrepreneurship?"**

@SCOTTPAGE10690 ON A MAN WHO WAS ALLEGEDLY TRYING TO MAKE MONEY FROM THE FREE PAPER.

## Student charged for school fires

**BOSTON.** A 16-year-old Boston Latin student was arrested yesterday for allegedly setting fires inside the school three days in a row.

The fires were set in trash barrels about the same time each day starting Monday.

The teen will be arraigned today.

METRO

▶ Post office

## Professor delivers USPS idea

**CAMBRIDGE.** An MIT professor may hold the link to saving thousands of United State Postal Service jobs.

According to a The Tech, university professor Shiva Ayyadurai is set to work on a solution to keep postal workers employed. Ayyadurai thinks the USPS can provide a service that would help companies more efficiently manage their incoming e-mail, preventing layoffs and avoiding bankruptcy.

METRO

# No breath of fresh air: T cuts could be health hazard

- Researchers worry about pollutants from more cars on the road
- Transportation advocates say cuts are a step backward for the state

NICOLAUS CZARNECKI/METRO

▶ The T is proposing to cut bus, ferry and Commuter Rail service.

Fare increases and service cuts proposed by the MBTA won't just be bad for your wallet, they could also be bad for your health.

T officials have said the loss of riders from the increased fares and cut service could push riders back into their cars and on the roads.

Researchers from Tufts University claim the adverse effects of pollutants emitted by those excess vehicles could lead to serious health risks.

"If there is more air pollution from cars … it is likely to lead to an increase in cardiovascular disease and mortality," said Dr. Doug Brugge, professor of public health at Tufts Medical School.

Brugge, the principal investigator of a five-year study examining air pollution in neighborhoods bordering Interstate 93, said breathing in car exhaust over a period of years leads to inflammation of the lungs and contributes to heart attacks.

Advocates against the T's proposals said the cuts are a step backward for the state.

John Walkey, of Transporation for Massachusetts, which is against the cuts, said increased public transportation is the "No. 1 option to reduce greenhouse gases."

**Loss of ridership**

**T officials estimated losses in trips due to service cuts and fare increases outlined in two proposals:**

- **Proposal 1:** 48.6 million annual unlinked trips
- **Proposal 2:** 64.2 million annual unlinked trips

**8**

**The state's rank on the 2010 National Traffic Scorecard for "worst city traffic."**

**STEVE ANNEAR**
steve.annear@metro.us

## Camping company with catchy campaigns comes to Natick

An outdoor clothing company with a wacky marketing strategy is making its mark in Massachusetts.

Moosejaw Mountaineering will be popping up at the Natick Mall this spring.

The company, which once launched an "X-ray" smartphone app to view its magazine models in their undies, will host a series of entertaining events to commemorate its move to the Bay State.

Dary Wohlfeill, creative director of marketing, said Moosejaw aims to create fun and unique customer experiences. METRO/SA

**While on hold with Moosejaw, the company plays speeches from Winston Churchill.**

COURTESY OF MOOSEJAW

▶ "X-ray" smartphone app

## News in brief

### Yellow card for safety

**MASSACHUSETTS.** The Bay State got an average grade by a national highway safety organization yesterday for its traffic safety standards.

In a new report card published by Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, Massachusetts was labeled "yellow" on the report's color-coded scale.

The study faulted the state for its lack of a primary enforcement seat belt law and five other statutes. METRO/SHNS

### Teen charged in gropings

**CAMBRIDGE.** A 14-year-old Cambridge teen was charged with more indecent assaults.

Police said yesterday that they charged the juvenile with two Jan. 3 incidents. The teen was already facing charges for others on Jan. 5. METRO

# WINTER SUPER SALE!

## UNBELIEVABLE DEALS TO CANCUN, RIVIERA MAYA & PUNTA CANA

## CANCUN, RIVIERA MAYA & PUNTA CANA

**AIRFARE INCLUDED!**
Non-Stop weekend morning from Boston via **FRONTIER**

| | WAS UP TO | 7 NIGHT ALL-INCLUSIVE | SAVE! |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Cancun** (Saturdays) | | | |
| **"4 Apple Rated" Square Deal - All-Inclusive**<br>*Depart Jan. 21 & 28; add $150 for Feb. 4*<br>You pick the date, we pick the resort, YOU SAVE HUNDREDS! | $1,349.99* | $699.99* | 48% |
| **Oasis Cancun - All-Inclusive**<br>*Depart Jan. 21 & 28; add $150 for Feb. 4 & 11* | $1,399.99* | $799.99* | 43% |
| **Riu Caribe - *Oceanview Rooms* - All-Inclusive**<br>*Depart Jan. 21 & 28; add $200 for Feb. 4; $150 for Feb. 11* | $2,249.99* | $899.99* | 60% |
| **Riviera Maya** (Saturdays) | | | |
| **Occidental Grand Xcaret - All-Inclusive**<br>*Depart Jan. 21 & 28; add $170 for Feb. 4 & 11* | $1,699.99* | $999.99* | 41% |
| **Barcelo Maya Tropical & Colonial - All-Inclusive**<br>*Depart Jan. 28; add $150 for Feb. 4, $100 for Feb. 11* | $1,699.99* | $999.99* | 41% |
| **IBEROSTAR Paraiso del Mar - All-Inclusive**<br>*Depart Jan. 21 & 28; add $200 for Feb. 4 & 11* | $2,469.99* | $1,099.99* | 55% |
| **Dreams Puerto Aventuras Resort & Spa - *Unlimited-Luxury®***<br>*Depart Jan. 28; add $300 for Feb. 4 & Feb. 11*<br>***VALUE PLUS:*** Free NON-STOP Transfers (a $60 value per couple) | $2,499.99* | $1,199.99* | 52% |
| **Punta Cana** (Sundays) | | | |
| **VIK Hotel Arena Blanca & Cayena Beach - All-Inclusive**<br>*Depart Jan. 29; add $50 for Jan. 22; add $200 for Feb. 12* | $1,369.99* | $899.99* | 34% |
| **IBEROSTAR Bavaro All Suite Resort - All-Inclusive**<br>*Depart Jan. 29; add $150 for Feb. 12* | $2,299.99* | $1,299.99* | 43% |
| **Now Larimar Punta Cana - *Unlimited-Luxury®***<br>*Depart Jan. 29; add $50 for Jan. 22; add $250 for Feb. 5*<br>***VALUE PLUS:*** $200 Resort Credit per room (restrictions apply) & Free NON-STOP Transfers (a $60 value per couple) | $2,099.99* | $1,299.99* | 38% |
| **Dreams Punta Cana Resort & Spa - *Unlimited-Luxury®***<br>*Depart Jan. 29; add $50 for Jan. 22; add $200 for Feb. 5*<br>***VALUE PLUS:*** $200 Resort Credit per room (restrictions apply) & Free NON-STOP Transfers (a $60 value per couple) | $2,599.99* | $1,399.99* | 46% |

BOSTON'S LARGEST VACATION AGENCY

## ROUNDTRIP AIRFARE FROM ONLY $299.99

*(Cancun Jan. 28 / Punta Cana Jan. 29)*

vacation outlet®

**Our vacation experts are available 24/7 to help you plan your next trip!**

**1-800-811-6071 • VacationOutlet.com**

**Terms & Conditions:** *Prices are per person, based on double occupancy, unless otherwise stated and include roundtrip airfare from Boston via Frontier Airlines or other U.S. certified air carrier, hotel transfers, hotel tax and baggage handling. One checked bag 50 pounds or less is free. Please see the individual air carriers website for a full detailed description of baggage charges. Bookings within 14 days of departure add $10 per person. $109.65-140.50 U.S. and foreign taxes/fees, $2.50 per segment September 11th Security Fee not included. All prices include applicable fuel surcharges. Holiday surcharges may apply. All packages are capacity controlled and subject to availability and change. Fares are for general information only and not a reflection of current seat availability. Vacation Outlet not responsible for errors or omissions. Vacations operated by Apple Vacations. See Apple Vacations' Fair Trade Contract for details.*

# Taking suicide fight on the Web

## Support group finds teens in need of help turning away from hot line New effort to reach out online

These days, teens turn to social media, texting and Internet sites to communicate. They announce their sexual orientation on YouTube, express their anxieties through Facebook posts and strike up friendships through texts.

In response to the technological shift in teen communication, the Samaritans, a suicide prevention organization that has focused their operations on a phone hot line for more than 30 years, is also making a major shift.

The Greater Boston chapter is expanding their reach to teens through an online chat program. They recently piloted a program at Framingham High School where 100 trained students are available online to chat with fellow students in need. The program is called IM Hear and is anonymous and confidential.

**By the numbers**

**The 2009 Health and Risk Behaviors of Massachusetts Youth, according to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health:**

- **14 percent** of high school students reported they seriously considered suicide.
- **7 percent** of high school students reported one or more suicide attempts in the past year.

"We do get calls on our help lines from parents worried about their kids and yet we aren't getting phone calls in sufficient volume from young people," said Roberta Hurtig, executive director of Samaritans, Inc. "Online is where young people turn."

Hurtig said they are hoping to expand the program to additional schools within a few months.

CHRISTINA WALLACE
christina.wallace@metro.us

NICOLAUS CZARNECKI/METRO

**Welcome.** New citizens

▶ Individuals from more than 60 different countries took the naturalization oath, becoming American citizens at the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum in Dorchester yesterday.

## Hundreds take oath at JFK library

More than 200 people took the oath of citizenship yesterday and became the country's newest citizens. The swearing-in ceremony took place at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum. In celebration, the new citizens were presented with a commemorative edition of Kennedy's inaugural address.

Tired of Wearing Glasses or Contacts?

LASER VISION CORRECTION
*Approved for NASA Astronauts and the Military!
LASIK – Reduces dependence on Glasses & Contacts
LASIK – Improves appearance & self esteem
LASIK – Enhances lifestyle & career opportunities

Four Board Certified Surgeons

Helen Wu, MD

Ken Kenyon, MD

Dan Hu, MD

Michael Goldstein, MD

New England Eye Center
Official Eye Care Provider of the Boston Celtics
Ophthalmology Department for Tufts Medical Center & Tufts University School of Medicine
Correcting Vision Since 1991 with Over 10,000 Procedures Performed

Call today for Free Evaluation & 0% Financing for 24 months!
617-636-7800 www.MyLasikDoc.com

HIGH SCHOOL EXCEL PROGRAM
Get your High School Diploma in 18 Weeks
☑ January Classes (Enroll Now!)
☑ Morning Classes (8am - 1 pm)
☑ All Subjects Covered in 18-wks
☑ We Assist in College Placement
☑ Ages 18-88
☑ Affordable / Hyde Park Area
☑ Onsite Childcare / Vouchers
NEW BEGINNINGS ACADEMY
CHANGES LIVES FOREVER
GUARANTEED SUCCESS
www.NewBeginningsAcademyMA.com
14 Everett Street, Hyde Park, MA 02136 / Tel: (617) 364.6767 / Fax: (617) 364.3383

LAW OFFICES OF
JEFFREY S. GLASSMAN, LLC
PERSONAL INJURY • FREE CONSULTATION • NO FEE UNLESS SUCCESSFUL
AUTO ACCIDENTS • SLIP & FALL • DEATH CASES • WORKER'S COMP
We Will Travel To You • Call Now - We Are Easy To Talk To!
SERVING ALL OF MASSACHUSETTS
www.jeffreysglassman.com
617-367-2900
Toll Free: (888) 367-2900
Se Habla Español

**JANUARY 17TH AT 6:00PM / CITY SPORTS BACK BAY / 480 BOYLSTON ST.**

- First 50 runners get a FREE Mizuno tee
- Test the latest Mizuno running footwear
- Enjoy One Day Only shopping discounts
- Enter a raffle to win a head-to-toe Mizuno outfit
- Refreshments will be provided post run

BACK BAY / BOSTON UNIVERSITY / CHESTNUT HILL
DOWNTOWN CROSSING / LEGACY PLACE
HARVARD SQUARE / PORTER SQUARE / WELLESLEY
**Shop Mizuno 24/7 @ citysports.com**

CITY SPORTS®

# Cambridge pride: Third gayest in US

## Magazine cites openly gay politicians, bars in ranking Former mayor 'happy' with recognition

Forget about Northampton or Boston. They don't even come close.

The gayest city in Massachusetts is Cambridge, according to The Advocate.

Cambridge placed third in the LGBT magazine's ranking of the "Gayest Cities in America, 2012."

The magazine cited the popularity of the city's previous three openly gay mayors. It also credited the City Council for its work on antidiscrimination protections for transgender people.

And it didn't leave out the nightlife, citing the Paradise, which is billed as New England's only gay club with hot male dancers six nights a week.

▶ Paradise was cited in The Advocate's rankings.

Cambridge's place in the top three in the nation might be surprising, but so is the methodology used.

Instead of compiling another list that ranked New York City, San Francisco and even Northampton, the magazine acknowledged it used "subjective criteria" including number of LGBT elected officials, number of WNBA teams and number of LGBT bookstores.

City officials said the distinction is welcome.

"What this distinction really means is that in Cambridge the rights of everyone ... are respected," said City Councilor E. Denise Simmons, who is also openly gay.

MICHAEL NAUGHTON
michael.naughton@metro.us

## Woman leaves $10K flute in cab

A Boston woman who lost a $10,000 flute after she left it in a taxi early Sunday morning is asking for help to get it back.

Heidi Bean was taking a Metro Cab minvian from work to her apartment on Beacon Hill when she left the instrument behind at approximately 3:30 a.m., according to WBZ.

Bean, a member of the New England Philharmonic Orchestra, told WBZ if she does not locate the flute, she might have to quit the band.

"You can't finance an instrument. You have to pay up front," she said. STEVE ANNEAR

NICOLAUS CZARNECKI/METRO

**Busted.** Water main
▶ An early morning water main break caused a traffic headache in Neponset Circle in Dorchester.

## Busted main creates hole, havoc in Dot

**A water main that broke overnight was still being worked on yesterday, creating a traffic headache for the early morning commute. The break at Neponset Circle also created a large hole in the pavement. Officials said the main dates back to the 1920s.**

You make the resolution, we'll help you keep it.
Call 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669) for a free supply of nicotine patches; for Boston residents only.
Mayor Thomas M. Menino and the Boston Public Health Commission, in collaboration with the Massachusetts Smokers' Helpline (operated by JSI Research and Training Institute, Inc). Made possible by funding from the US Department of Health and Human Services.

# TNT VACATIONS.COM

A TNT Vacation is ... Sunshine.

# "Gotta Get Away" SALE

**Escape the winter cold with New England's favorite travel company.**
**Exclusive 7 night nonstop departures from Boston**

## Punta Cana

7 nights hotel, nonstop air, transfers & more.....from
**Carabela Beach Resort & Casino** - *All-Inclusive*.....$999
**Occidental Grand Punta Cana** - *All-Inclusive*.....$1,099
**IBEROSTAR Punta Cana** - *All-Inclusive*.....$1,149

**School Breaks departures still available!**
starting at **$1,299** per person
4/14/12 departure

## Cancun

7 nights hotel, nonstop air, transfers & more.....from
**Holiday Inn Cancun-Arenas** - *Ask About Our Meal Plan.*.....$999
**Barcelo Costa Cancun** - *All-Inclusive*.....$1,329

## Riviera Maya

7 nights hotel, nonstop air, transfers & more.....from
**Real Playa del Carmen Hotel & Beach Club** - *All-Inclusive*.....$1,179
**Riu Tequila** - *24-Hour All-Inclusive*.....$1,399

**School Breaks departures still available!**
starting at **$1,399** per person
2/19/12 departure

## Aruba - School Breaks Departures

| 7 nights hotel, nonstop air, transfers & more | 2/18/12 | 4/14/12 |
|---|---|---|
| **Holiday Inn SunSpree® Resort Aruba** | $2,239 | $1,599 |
| **Tamarijn Aruba All Inclusive** - *All-Inclusive* | $2,729 | $2,779 |

## Shorter Stays

4 nights hotel, air & more.....from
**Nassau Palm Hotel** - *Continental Breakfast Daily* .....$359
**Sunset Jamaica Grande Resort, Spa & Conference Center**.....$739
*All-Inclusive*
**Barbados Beach Club All-Inclusive Resort** - *All-Inclusive*.....$879

**ENTER NOW TO WIN**
a free trip to Punta Cana on a TNT Vacations nonstop departure from Boston!
Visit tntvacations.com
$5,000 value

ARUBA One happy island
JAMAICA Once you go, you know.
Nassau Paradise Island
BARBADOS
MÉXICO THE PLACE YOU THOUGHT YOU KNEW
Dominican Republic Has it all

# tntvacations.com 1-888-GO-TNT-GO

**or call your travel agent**

Punta Cana pricing is based on 4/22/12 departure, unless otherwise stated. Cancun and Riviera Maya pricing is based on 3/17/12 departure, unless otherwise stated. Nassau, Jamaica and Barbados pricing is based on select February departures. FAA-approved charter air via Miami Air International, Aeromexico, or similar carrier. Prices are per person based on double occupancy for new bookings only. FAA-approved scheduled air transportation via American Airlines, Delta, US Airways or similar carrier. Information is subject to change; prices are capacity controlled and subject to availability. Prepaid government taxes and fees of up to $157.35, including September 11th Security Fee of up to $10.00 and Boston PFC of up to $18.00 per person, and late booking fee of $20 for all reservations made inside of 14 days of departure, are not included in listed prices and are subject to change without notice. Some pricing may be based on published airfare and subject to payment at the time of booking. TNT Vacations specials cannot be combined with any discount vouchers or promotions. Each price may not be valid/available for every departure date. Listed prices include fuel-related and all other increases as of 1/1/12, but may increase additionally due to unanticipated expenses beyond TNT Vacations control. See Tour Participant Agreement in 2012 Sunshine Travel Guide or visit http://www.tntvacations.com/BookingForms.htm for further information. TNT Vacations is not responsible for any misprinted pricing and product information. 5489 01/06/12

# Circus goes south as GOP campaigns

## Republicans take their ad dollars and handshakes down to South Carolina in anticipation of the conservative state's primary on Jan. 21

RAINIER EHRHARDT/GETTY IMAGES

▶ After suffering a fifth-place finish in the Iowa caucuses, Republican presidential candidate Texas Gov. Rick Perry has returned to the campaign trail in South Carolina with events for the next several days in hopes of keeping his candidacy alive.

Republican presidential contenders brought buckets of cash and sharpened rhetoric to South Carolina yesterday for an intense 10-day battle that may define whether anyone can stop front-runner Mitt Romney's march to the party's nomination.

Despite fierce attacks from his rivals, the former Massachusetts governor captured neighboring New Hampshire's primary 16 points ahead of the rest of the field on Tuesday. He's now two-for-two at the start of the nomination race after his narrow victory in Iowa's caucuses a week ago.

"I've got a good start. I've got an uphill climb in South Carolina ahead of me, but it could not have worked out better for me last night," Romney said on NBC's "Today" show.

Winning South Carolina's primary on Jan. 21, the next step in a series of state-by-state contests, would essentially extinguish his rivals' hopes of keeping Romney from becoming the nominee to take on Democratic President Barack Obama in the general election in November.

Trying desperately to stop Romney, his rivals have blasted him as a heartless corporate raider who enjoyed cutting jobs while amassing a fortune as a private equity executive, and have assailed him as not being a true conservative.

Influential conservatives like radio host Rush Limbaugh have warned that the attacks could undermine the party's free-market ideals. However, Ron Paul's campaign defended Romney's business record and said rivals attacking him were "employing leftist tactics" that proved they are unfit to be president. REUTERS

**$24M**
**Romney's campaign added to the other contenders' worries by announcing he had raised $24 million in the last three months of 2011, almost certainly outstripping other contenders' coffers.**

**$3.4M** **Gingrich allies plan to spend $3.4 million on ads in South Carolina criticizing Romney's business record.**

## Reddit to protest piracy bill

**NEW YORK.** Brace yourselves: The great Reddit blackout of 2012 is nigh.

The popular social news website, which bills itself as "the front page of the Internet," announced yesterday that it would become the first major website to go black in protest of the Stop Online Piracy Act and the Protect IP Act, a pair of controversial anti-piracy bills currently under debate in Congress. In a post entitled "Stopped they must be; on this all depends," the site's administrators announced that they would shut down the website on Wednesday, Jan. 18 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

It's easy to see why a website like Reddit would oppose the bills, which mean to hold websites liable for any (even user-generated) content that links to websites that infringe on copyrights or provide instructions for copyright infringement.

Given the vast amount of links and comments hosted on Reddit, it's clear that keeping the website in compliance with the law would place a considerable burden on its administrators. MAINSTREET.COM

# Iran: Speeding assassin kills nuke scientist

**TEHRAN.** An Iranian nuclear scientist was blown up in his car by a motorbike hitman yesterday, prompting Tehran to blame Israeli and U.S. agents — but insist the killing would not derail a nuclear program that has raised fears of war and threatened world oil supplies.

The fifth daylight attack on technical experts in two years, the magnetic bomb delivered a targeted blast to the door of 32-year-old Mostafa Ahmadi-Roshan's silver sedan as he was driven down a busy street near a Tehran university during the morning rush hour. The chemical engineer's driver also died, Iranian media said, and a passer-by was slightly hurt.

Israel, whose military chief said on Tuesday that Iran could expect to suffer more mysterious mishaps, declined comment. REUTERS

**Who done it?**

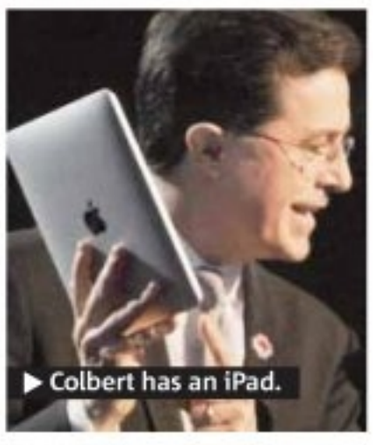
**The White House denied any U.S. role and condemned the attack.**

▶ While Israeli or Western involvement seem plausible, a role for local Iranian factions engaged in a deadly shadow war of bluff and sabotage could not be ruled out.

## Having bidden its time, Dell now plans for tablet

**LAS VEGAS.** Dell Inc. intends to launch its first consumer tablet computer in late 2012, marking its entry into a hotly contested and increasingly crowded arena that has already claimed arch-foe Hewlett Packard.

The once-dominant corporation has seen a growing crop of tablets and smartphones entice consumers away from PCs. But Dell learned from the hastiness of some of its peers, chief commercial officer Steve Felice said. REUTERS



▶ Colbert has an iPad.

**"We have been taking our time. The general failure of everyone that's tried to introduce a tablet outside of Apple [suggested Dell made a prudent choice]."**
FELICE

## Outrage over Marine video

**NEW YORK.** A video has surfaced online that appears to show a group of U.S. Marines urinating on several dead bodies. The U.S. Marine Corps has reportedly launched an investigation into the video, according to TMZ.

"While we have not yet verified the origin or authenticity of this video, the actions portrayed are not consistent with our core values and are not indicative of the character of the Marines in our Corps," Captain Kendra Hardesty said. METRO/CG

# Ho Hos, oh no! Hostess files for bankruptcy

**Maker of Twinkies and Wonder Bread struggling to meet interest payments Filed once before in 2004**

PAUL J. RICHARDS/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

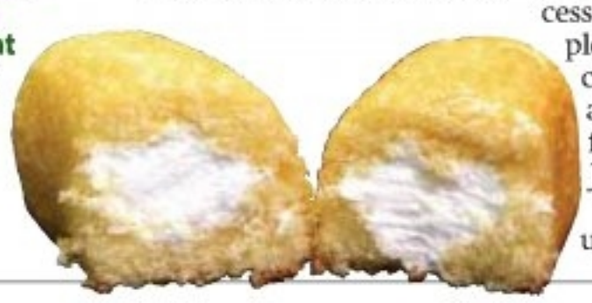
▶ Hostess Brands, the baker of Twinkies and other iconic American foods, filed for bankruptcy protection yesterday after failing to win concessions on union contracts.

Hostess Brands, the maker of Wonder Bread, Ding Dongs, Ho Hos, Sno Balls, Drakes Cakes and Twinkies, has filed for bankruptcy after being unable to manage liabilities like unionized pension plans and a large debt stock.

For the company, which has made popular American breads and desserts since the 1930s, the filing is its second trip into bankruptcy. In 2004, the company formerly known as Interstate Bakeries went bankrupt and stayed in administration for more than four years until it re-emerged as Hostess Brands in 2009.

**500M**

**Nearly a half billion Twinkies are made every year, and former President Bill Clinton put a Twinkie in a time capsule, the company said on its website.**



Hostess, which is owned by private-equity firm Ripplewood Holdings, is struggling to meet interest payments as investors seek concessions from 19,000 employees, who have 80 percent unionized contracts according to reports from The Wall Street Journal.

Burdened by debts used for acquisitions and pension liabilities, Hostess reportedly suspended payments on union pensions in December and was struggling to make interest payments on a $700 million loan. In its bankruptcy listing, Hostess Brands claimed between $500 million and $1 billion in assets and more than $1 billion of liabilities. The company also listed the Bakery & Confectionery Union & Industry International Pension Fund as its biggest unsecured creditor with a $944.2 million claim.

Hostess Brands carries additional liabilities after multiple acquisitions and owes millions in additional creditor payments. The company is now arranging $75 million in debtor-in-possession financing from its lenders, according to the Journal. MAINSTREET.COM

new balance
FACTORY STORE
WIDE SELECTION.
NARROW PRICES.
JANUARY 12-16, 2012
25% OFF*
YOUR ENTIRE PURCHASES
• Everyday low factory store prices *Certain styles excluded from this promotion
• Full line of NB men's & women's apparel
Brighton, MA 40 Life St. Lawrence, MA 5 S. Union St.
1-877-NBF-STOR (623-7867) FREE Customer Parking at Both Locations
www.nbfactorystores.com
Shoes are factory seconds or discontinued styles. Discounts are valid at factory outlet locations only. Cannot apply to prior sales, sales prices or other offers. For first quality merchandise, visit NB Burlington at Wayside Commons 781-270-1420, NB Mashpee at Mashpee Commons 508-539-1177 or NB Dedham at Legacy Place 781-329-7300. CS

WARRIOR BRINE
OUTLET + STORE
JANUARY 12-16
25% OFF* entire purchase
NEW closeout hockey arrivals!!!
RECENT markdowns!! WIDE selection!!
*Discount may not apply to certain product
find us on facebook Store Hours: Mon-Sat 10am-6pm • Sun Noon-6pm
38 EVERETT STREET, ALLSTON, MA
617-746-9532 FREE Customer Parking

myentertainment

2

# THE WORD

Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

# Is Khloe really a Kardashian?

PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

When one gazes at the Kardashian sisters (as we often do, since they are more omnipresent than Starbucks), do you ever think, "Hmm, which of these things is not like the other?"

If you, too, think **Khloe Kardashian** doesn't resemble her famous sisters, you aren't the only one — **Kris Jenner** has had to squelch rumors of Khloe's paternity for years. But now **Robert Kardashian**'s ex-wife and widow have come forward in a Star magazine exclusive in which they both claim that the late Kardashian expressed his doubts that he was indeed the father of Khloe.

"Khloe is not his kid — he told me that after we got married," **Jan Ashley**, 63, the woman who married Robert after Kris Jenner, revealed to Star.

"He just kind of looked at me and said [it] like it was a matter of fact. He said, 'Well, you know that Khloe's not really a Kardashian, don't you?' And I said ... 'OK,' and that was it."

But that's not all. **Ellen Kardashian**, 63, who married Robert in 2003, says she has her doubts, as well.

"Khloe brought it up all the time," Ellen told Star in the bombshell exclusive. "She looked nothing like the rest. She was tall, had a different shape, light hair, curly hair. Didn't look anything like the other three children."

Whatever you do Khloe, never, ever take a DNA test. For now, you get the best of both worlds: A cut of the Kardashian empire without having to be biologically related to them.

▶ Sisters? Khloe, Kourtney and Kim Kardashian.

## The feed ...

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Charlie Sheen is getting his teeth in order, Rihanna is battling insomnia, Jessica Simpson is prepping her diet/exercise routine and Steve Martin wants to influence culture.

▶ @charliesheen: today spent w/ brilliant cosmetic dentist Dr Kevin Sands! the grill now perfect for Fiat, DirectTV & Anger Managment!

▶ @rihanna: Waited all yr+Finally I have time off, time 4 rest n quiet. Suddenly all the silence is being drowned by my thoughts! No sleep

▶ @JessicaSimpson: New goal: look like @jessicaalba after baby. Job well done lady!

▶ @SteveMartin ToGo: The more I think about it, "Lo and behold" would be great in rap vernacular. Going to make some calls.

Martinez and Berry

## Berry is off the market

**Halle Berry** and **Olivier Martinez** are reportedly engaged, according to Us Weekly. Berry, who has been married twice before, "had given up on being married, but she trusts Olivier," a source says. "He makes her feel safe. He's a keeper." Martinez reportedly popped the question over the holidays with an emerald and diamond engagement ring. The pair met in 2010 as co-stars on the film "Dark Tide" and started dating soon after. Berry was previously married to **David Justice** and **Eric Benet**, and she has a 3-year-old daughter, **Nahla**, with ex-boyfriend **Gabriel Aubry**.

## Talking points

### Winslet continues body acceptance campaign

**Kate Winslet** is sticking up for "women with a shape" in her latest campaign for clothing line St. John. "You don't have to be a size 2, or even a size 4, to be able to wear these garments," Winslet says in a video for the brand. "They fall so well and are cut for women with a shape. And of course I love that. That's me all over." The actress also enjoys serving as inspiration for women who aren't model-thin: "A lot of women say they believe they could wear a particular dress or a pair of pants or a sweater because they have seen that I am able to wear those pieces," she says.

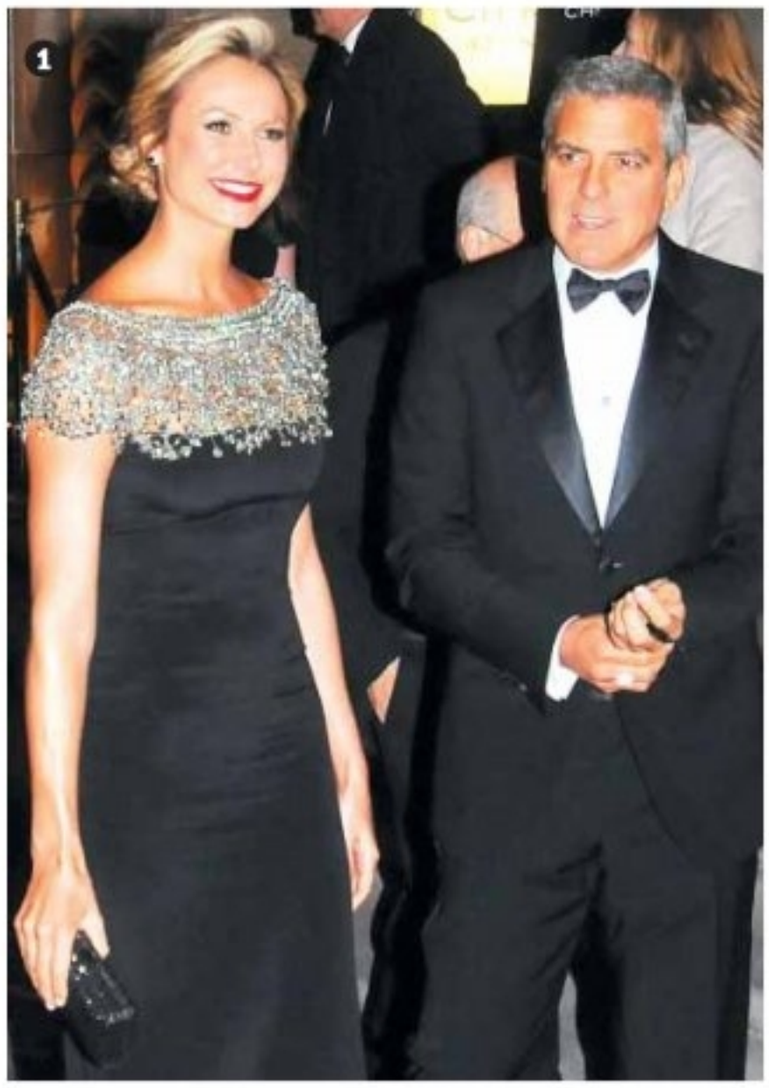
Winslet

### The divorce just keeps getting nastier

Tensions are apparently far from easing between **Marc Anthony** and **Jennifer Lopez**, if a reportedly heated confrontation recently is any indication. "As always with things between Jen and Marc recently, the conversation quickly turned heated," a source tells Radar Online of the recent meeting. "The real source of Marc's anger is Jen's relationship with backup dancer **Casper Smart**. Jen is very serious about him, and it makes Marc extremely jealous. Marc told Jen that she should see a psychiatrist to deal with her issues to figure out why she always needs a man in her life."

### Scar Jo defends mom's finances

**Scarlett Johansson** insists she and her mother, **Melanie Sloan**, haven't fallen out over money issues, despite Sloan being unable to obtain a mortgage and being "cash poor," according to Us Weekly. Sloan served as her daughter's manager from childhood until two years ago, when Johansson ditched her for professional representation. "Scarlett and Melanie are as close as they have ever been" Johansson's rep says. "Their personal relationship is solid and loving."


1

3

6


7

2

## Jack returns to the court — and other photos

**1.** Stacy Keibler and George Clooney attended the 2011 National Board of Review Awards Gala at Cipriani 42nd Street on Tuesday in New York City.

**2.** Pippa Middleton rocked a pair of pink pants yesterday in London, England.

**3.** Deer in the headlights: Jon Heder visited Fuse Studios on Tuesday in New York City.

**4.** Jack Nicholson and Stephen Dorff watched the game between the Phoenix Suns and the Los Angeles Lakers on Tuesday in Los Angeles.

**5.** Madonna (check out those amazing Chanel leather fingerless gloves!) attended a photocall to promote her new film "W.E." at the London Studios on Wednesday in London.

**6.** Cuba Gooding Jr. and Terrence Howard attended the "Red Tails" premiere after-party at Gotham Hall on Tuesday in New York City.

4

5

**7. Jennifer Hudson (still looking darn fine) celebrated the release of her memoir, "I Got This," with a book signing at a New York Weight Watchers center yesterday in New York City.**

1: ARKALDO MAGNANI/GETTY IMAGES
2: NEIL MOCKFORD/FILMMAGIC
3: CINDY ORD/GETTY IMAGES
4: NOEL VASQUEZ/GETTY IMAGES
5: DAVE M. BENETT/GETTY IMAGES
6: MIKE COPPOLA/GETTY IMAGES
7: LARRY BUSACCA/GETTY IMAGES FOR WEIGHT WATCHERS

myentertainment

## TV watch list

JONATHAN SILBERBERG/COURTESY OF HBO

### 'Paradise Lost 3: Purgatory'

**FILM.** Directors Joe Berlinger and Bruce Sinofsky have followed the case of the West Memphis 3 — three teenagers convicted of the rape, mutilation and murder of three 8-year-old boys in 1994 — for almost two decades. The filmmakers' resulting documentary, "Paradise Lost," and its sequel, "Paradise Lost 2: Revelations," sparked an international effort to aid the men when their trial was revealed to be a modern-day witch-hunt. The directors began work on "Paradise Lost 3: Purgatory" in 2004, unearthing forensic evidence and allegations of juror misconduct. The West Memphis 3 have since been freed. "To see our work culminate in the righting of this tragic miscarriage of justice is more than a filmmaker could ask for," says Berlinger. **Premiere, 9 p.m., HBO** ● AMBER RAY

# Found: A drama with a sense of humor

**'Bones' spin-off 'The Finder' is a detective show that doesn't take itself too seriously ● But finding a leading man 'goof' wasn't easy**

The irreverent new Fox drama "The Finder" follows Walter Sherman, an Iraq war veteran who can track down just about anything. But one thing that's never lost on this show is a sense of humor.

Walter believes his gift as a "finder" is, in no small part, due to brain damage he suffered in an explosion while serving in the Army Military Police, which also left him with little in the way of etiquette. "It's a great story engine for us to have a lead character who is never held back by social constraints," series creator Hart Hanson said while promoting the show at the Television Critics Association in Pasadena, Calif., on Sunday. "He says what he thinks. He blurts. He's insulting. Sometimes he will shriek when he sees things, and other times he will attack a hit man. It depends on how threatened he feels and how much he's understanding what's happening around him."

Finding the right leading man to take on Walter's quirky tendencies wasn't an easy task, Hanson said — this definitely isn't your straight-ahead, "CSI"-type detective. It's hard to find "a guy as handsome as Geoff Stults who is willing to be a goof," the producer said.

But Stults demurred the compliment, relishing in Walter's offbeat ways. "The thing that drew me to the character and the show … was they created a character where a leading man can be quirky," Stults said. "I love that Walter doesn't take himself seriously."

AMBER RAY
amber.ray@metro.us

**TCA diary**

**The Television Critics Association press tour,** a meeting of journalists and networks to preview new and returning series, kicked off Friday. Follow Amber on Twitter at @amberatmetro and visit www.metro.us/tv for more TCA updates.

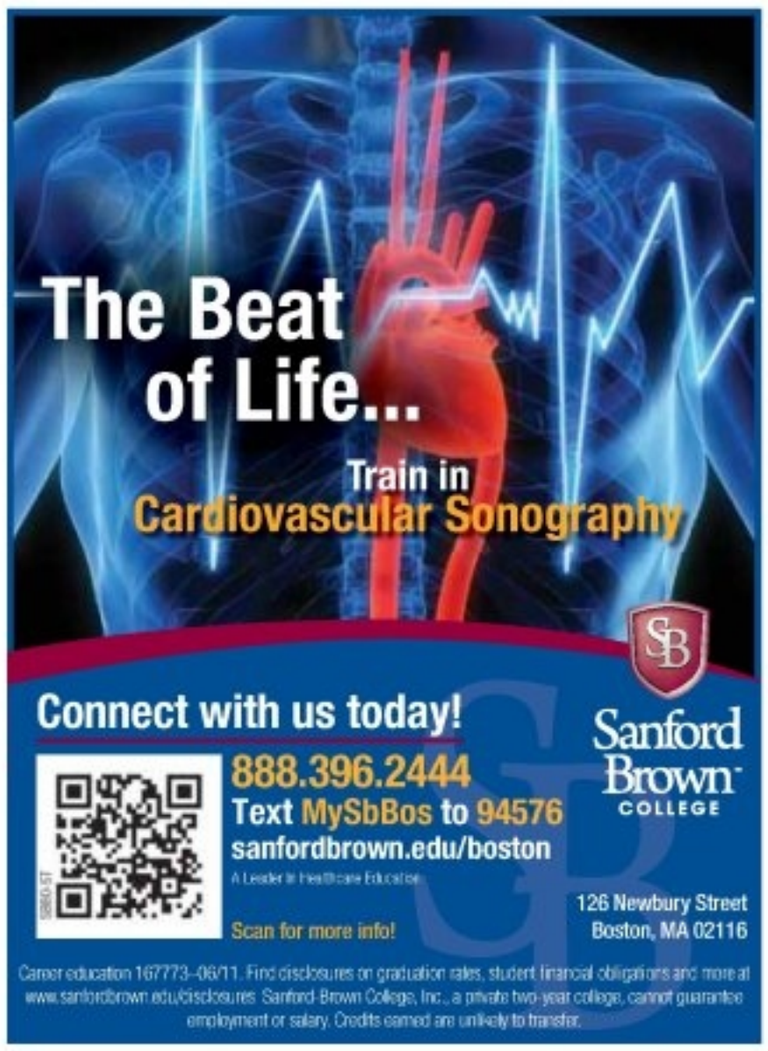
ISABELLA VOSMIKOVA/FOX

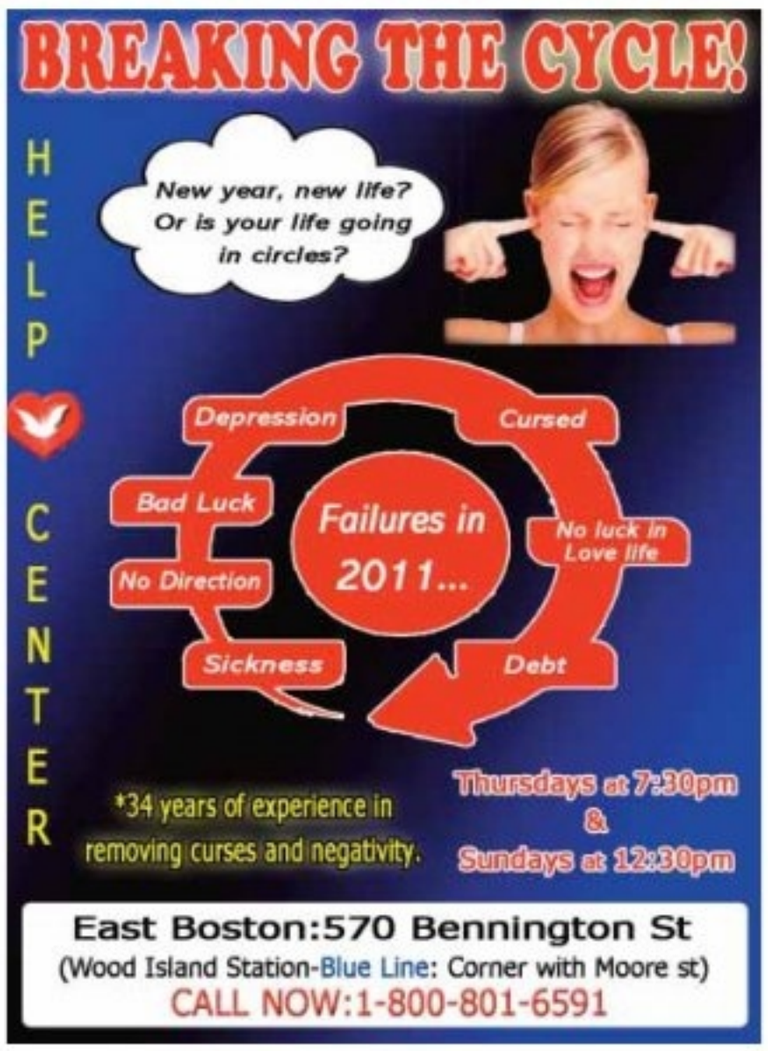
▶ Walter (Geoff Stults) and his team were introduced in an episode of "Bones" last year. In the premiere of the spin-off "The Finder," airing tonight at 9 on Fox, Walter is asked to find a missing military pilot.

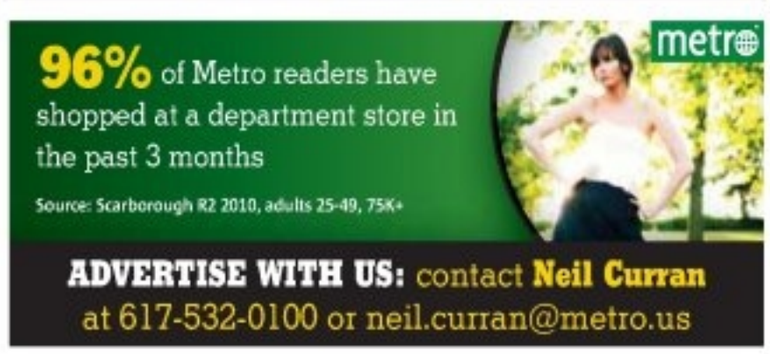
**"The Finder" and his sidekicks**

**Walter doesn't work alone in his quest to find what is lost. His team includes legal advisor Leo (Michael Clarke Duncan) and Isabel (Mercedes Masohn), his girlfriend who happens to be a Deputy U.S. Marshal. Both are concerned about Walter's health and unbridled passion for the hunt.**

"One thing that Leo and Isabel agree upon when it comes to Walter's condition is that if he doesn't find something, it could either kill him or put him in the loony bin," said Hanson. "How to deal with that, they differ on. Leo says, 'We have to help him find everything, and we can't let him take any jobs where it's impossible.' Isabel would prefer that he went and got proper help."


The Beat of Life...
Train in
Cardiovascular Sonography
Connect with us today!
888.396.2444
Text MySbBos to 94576
sanfordbrown.edu/boston
A Leader in Healthcare Education
Scan for more info!
Sanford Brown COLLEGE
126 Newbury Street
Boston, MA 02116
Career education 167773-06/11. Find disclosures on graduation rates, student financial obligations and more at www.sanfordbrown.edu/disclosures Sanford-Brown College, Inc., a private two-year college, cannot guarantee employment or salary. Credits earned are unlikely to transfer.




96% of Metro readers have shopped at a department store in the past 3 months
Source: Scarborough R2 2010, adults 25-49, 75K+
metro
ADVERTISE WITH US: contact Neil Curran
at 617-532-0100 or neil.curran@metro.us

myentertainment

# Seeing the world through rose-colored glasses

## Director David Gammons says he read 'Red' but refused to see any other productions of the play before putting it up with SpeakEasy

SAGLIO PHOTOGRAPHY, INC.

▶ Everything is coming up roses for Gammons.

In 1958, abstract impressionist painter Mark Rothko landed a commission worth $2.5 million in today's currency to paint a series for Manhattan's exclusive Four Seasons Restaurant.

The Tony Award-winning play, "Red, " in which Rothko and his young assistant heatedly debate the artist's motives as they construct the pricey canvases, has become one of the most produced plays in the U.S., says David Gammons, director of Boston's version of "Red."

"I've made a deliberate attempt to steer clear of websites, images and even reviews of other productions," says Gammons, who proudly insists that he has not seen the show elsewhere. "I want to keep ours as fresh and uncorrupted by other people's choices as possible."

Playwright John Logan provided the script, but Gammons and this production's actors and designers had free reign to interpret their show's visuals, including the set, a well-researched amalgamation of Rothko's real-life studios.

"It's been fun to marry the realism of Rothko's studio space with theatricality, remembering that this is a play, after all, not a documentary," Gammons says.

The theme illustrated in Rothko's signature style of painting — blocks of color floating on contrasting background — also exists in the storyline.

"The play sets up this tension, as in the paintings themselves," Gammons explains. "Red is the life force, the drive, the passion — while black represents the inesca-pable knowledge of our own mortality."

Rothko felt this tension his whole life, and committed suicide in 1970.

**NORA DUNNE**
nora.dunne@metro.us

### If you go

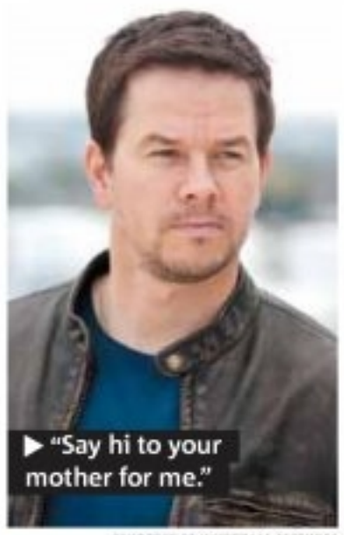
**'Red'**
**Through Feb. 4**
**Calderwood Pavilion at Boston Center for the Arts**
**527 Tremont St., Boston**
**$25-$55, 617-933-8600**
**www.speakeasystage.com**

### No arts degree required

Playgoers who can't distinguish a Rothko from a Monet can relax.

"This piece is not alienating if you don't know a lot about art," says Gammons. "You don't have to come in an expert on art history to engage with the characters."

# 10 Reasons to head to theaters this weekend



▶ "Say hi to your mother for me."

COURTESY OF UNIVERSAL PICTURES

### Must-see

**1 'Contraband'** A reformed bad boy (Mark Wahlberg) gets pulled back into the world of international cargo smuggling after his brother-in-law gets caught up with a sinister drug dealer (Giovanni Ribisi).

**2 'The Iron Lady'** Meryl Streep is flawless at everything she does, and her turn as controversial Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher is predictably admirable. Told in flashbacks over the course of three days in Thatcher's latter years, the film touches on the highs and lows of her reign in the 1980s.

**3 'Beauty and the Beast' 3-D** After the success of "The Lion King"'s conversion to 3-D, another animated classic from Disney is getting refreshed for 2012.

**4 'Joyful Noise'** Two choir members (Dolly Parton and Queen Latifah) have differing opinions on how to get their group to a national competition.

**5 'War Horse'** Spielberg takes on the book and play by the same name, in which a very young WWI soldier gets separated from his closest friend, his horse Joey.

**6 'The Adventures of Tintin'** The beloved Belgian comic book character comes to life in 3-D animation. Jamie Bell, as the voice of Tintin, is accompanied by the talents of Daniel Craig and Andy Serkis.

**7 'We Bought a Zoo'** Cameron Crowe directs Matt Damon in this tearjerker based on a true story about a widower who buys a dilapidated zoo.

**8 'The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo'** David Fincher adapts the book and Swedish movie for those of us who don't like reading subtitles.

**9 'Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows'** Holmes (Robert Downey Jr.) and Watson (Jude Law) pick up where they left off, and this time they're after dastardly Professor Moriarity (played by "Mad Men"'s Jared Harris) with Rachel McAdams and Noomi Rapace.

**10 'Mission: Impossible — Ghost Protocol'** Tom Cruise may be deep into his 40s, but that hasn't stopped the still impeccably fit actor from performing most of his own stunts in this fourth installment of the series. Shot partially in IMAX, this film is a perfect fit for any thrill-seeker. METRO

TAG
theater & arts guide

MUSIC

HANDEL AND HAYDN SOCIETY PRESENTS
VIVALDI
THE FOUR SEASONS
Artistic Director Harry Christophers leads vivacious concertmaster Aisslinn Nosky in her H&H solo debut with Vivaldi's stunning The Four Seasons.
Jan 20 & 22 | Symphony Hall | Tix $25+
617 266 3605 | handelandhaydn.org

Celebrity Series of Boston presents
Kathy Mattea
Beloved Grammy Award-winning country and folk music star, Kathy Mattea is known for hits like "18 Wheels and a Dozen Roses" as well as for her more traditional Appalachian mountain sound. Don't miss her one night only performance at Sanders Theatre in Cambridge. 8pm, Sat. 1/21. Tix @ celebrityseries.org.

EVENTS

Reform Jewish Outreach Boston
Welcoming Interfaith Couples & Individuals Exploring Judaism
A Taste of Judaism: Are You Curious?
Thursday evenings, February 2, 9 & 16, 2012 at Temple Shalom in Newton, Free but pre-registration required, jschwartz@urj.org, 617-928-0012, www.reformjewishoutreachboston.org
Explore Reform Judaism's relevance in today's world. Students are invited to learn about Jewish perspectives on topics of spirituality, ethics and community. All are welcome. Questions and lively discussions encouraged. Designed for beginners, Jewish or not. Taught by Reform Rabbis.

To advertise in this directory contact Tiffany Carnuccio at 617-532-0121 or email: tiffany.carnuccio@metro.us

BE A PROCESS SERVER
Earn up to $50/hr. in your own business.
Serve papers for lawyers,
full time or part time from home
Must be over 18 years of age &
have own transportation
NO RISK — The Courts Are Busy
Call 617-365-2646 (24 Hours)

CARLISLE CAB INC.
From anywhere in Boston to Logan Airport $15
WE TAKE RESERVATIONS
THE BEST SERVICE IN TOWN
WWW.CARLISLECAB.COM
24 HOURS
888-274-6022
WE JUST DON'T PROMISE YOU A CAB, WE WILL GET YOU ONE!

29,000+ Employees Worldwide
425 Global Offices
48 Countries
9 Regional Offices
1 Commercial Real Estate Leader
CBRE | New England
www.cbre-ne.com
HIRING FOR POSITIONS IN:
Accounting • Administrative Support
Brokerage Services • Property Management
Qualified candidates should submit a cover letter and resume to:
careers@cbre-ne.com
CBRE/New England is committed to an inclusive environment that: reflects the clients we serve; provides everyone with the opportunity to succeed; values the differences of each individual; and recognizes their contributions to our firm's success. EOE

mydating

## Reader love notes

### Send us your love notes

E-mail **lovenotes@metro.us** with your special message and we'll print it in the next dating section. Please keep your note to 20 characters or fewer.

- *AKG I appreciate everything you do for me, Nely xoxo*
- ***Dr. Anhottieca, Can't wait for April! Love J***
- *Rico ILY soo much! I can't wait 2 be Mrs.Hines in 9 months! Luv, Rain*
- ***FuzzHuz, Here's to 6 fab yrs. and counting! Luv You! -Tris***
- *Wimi, Te Amo! Soon we'll be together!!!, Nilson*
- ***To My Beautiful Wife Nancy L Graham, You & The Kids are Why I Exist!***
- *Matt, ur awesome! We can be stupidly silly together and not even care. Thanks. :) -Stephie*
- ***Terry you're the one and only one that I ever loved (always)***
- *CRS - I know I can b a pain but I just want u 2 know that I feel that 2012 is going to b a good yr 4 us so dont give up on us love U. Eillen*
- ***CJG - We are an imperfect fit ... I wouldn't have it any other way! Love, V***
- *Dean u are my rock & best friend. I would marry u again bcuz u are wonderful. - Kisha Phillips*
- ***Sweetie, These past 15 years have flown by. I'm looking forward to our next 15 years together. Love ya babe! Luscious***
- *David - I love you and can't wait to marry you 08-20-08. Keesha*
- ***Yami I love you like i love cake A&F***
- *Gordo, you allow me to exhale. I am the lucky one who has you, te amo. K. Valentin*
- ***Papajoos, Obicham Te Mnogo ... infinity & beyond! xoxo Mamajoos***
- *Lou, my boo ... you say I am the ying to your yang, know that you are mine. xo, B*

# Just like starting over

**If the beginning of 2012 finds you newly single, we've got the plan that will help you move on and up**

PIXLAND

▶ Get more tips from Urquhart at www.newroadcoaching.com.

**NEW IN THE NEW YEAR**

The holidays can often be a breaking point for relationships that are on the fritz, which is why many find themselves down and out at the beginning of a new year. But hey, what better time to start over and shed the dysfunction of that no-good ex of yours? Caird Urquhart's new book, "30 Ways to Better Days: How to Rally After You've Been Dumped" offers some key tips for putting your life back together and moving on as healthfully and quickly as possible. She offers us her top tips for starting over:

▶ **Don't react:** "You have to sit with it a bit at the end of the relationship," Urquhart says. "It's important to not make a lot of really big decisions right away. I personally like to take a year, because you need to go through each season, each celebration and each holiday to grieve that past relationship, because you're always reminded of what happened this time last year."

▶ **Get a grief team:** "A grief team is really important for getting over a relationship," Urquhart explains. "Often we'll go to a particular [friend] ... for hours talking about our woes, but you can wear down your friends that way, so I recommend that you have a different person for each day of the week, because you're going to want to talk about it a lot. Make sure those people have your best interests at heart."

▶ **Get rid of the "stuff":** "Get rid of any old letters, texts or e-mails," Urquhart says. "Maybe [he or she is] on Facebook, maybe [he or she] left a few things at your apartment. It's important to tuck that stuff away so that you're not looking at it every day and giving yourself visual reminders of that person. That also opens the space up for you to replace them with pictures of your nephews and nieces and your other friends. Replace him or her with other moments in your life."

▶ **Don't ask about your ex:** "If you're going to parties and you're finding that [his or her] name is always popping up, do not enter those conversations," Urquhart says. "Don't look to your [friends] to get information about him [or her]. You just don't need to know."

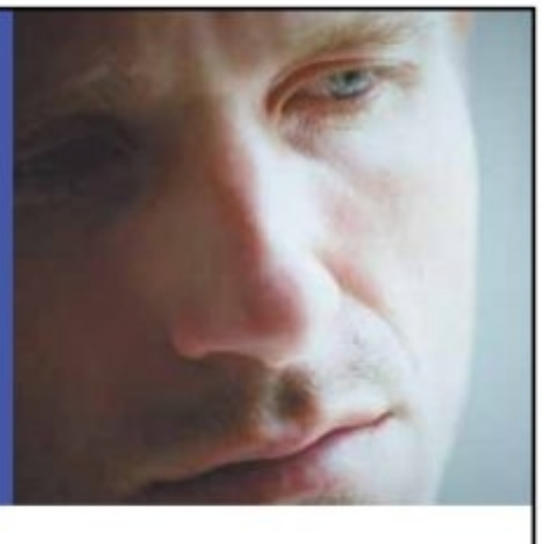
▶ **Start doing something new:** "Start taking classes with a different group of people. Hang out at a new gym," Urquhart suggests. "Go to places where you don't know the people, because that person's name won't be in the dialogue. This also frees you up to start recreating yourself."

**HEIDI PATALANO**
heidi.patalano@metro.us

### Working out the anger

▶ "It's really important to have an angry time," says Urquhart. "If you're a runner, go running. Get out and hit the boxing bag. That's a non-harmful way of getting the anger out. But also be aware of how long you're carrying that anger. There's nothing worse than when someone is five years out of a relationship and they're still bitter. People can smell that a mile away, and that will hurt your next opportunity to meet somebody."

**Have you taken medication to treat depression but still have symptoms?**



If so, please call **Boston Clinical Trials** and ask about our research study of an add-on investigational medication for depression.

If you qualify, you will receive study related medication and care as well as compensation for time and travel. Located next to St Elizabeth's Hospital in Brighton.

Evening appointments available.
Free parking
Call today 617-202-6322.

BCT Boston Clinical Trials
www.bostontrials.com

**Winter Classes Starting Now!**
BCI Boston Career Institute
DAY, EVENING & SATURDAY CLASSES AVAILABLE

- Medical Billing and Coding Specialist
- Clinical Assistant (Phlebotomy, EKG, Injections)
- Dental Assistant with internship
- Medical Assistant with internship
- Hospital Central Service Technician with internship

Call for a FREE consultation
School License #0306188

BROOKLINE 320 Washington Street | MALDEN 422 Main Street | T & BUS ACCESSIBLE | 1.888.383.6058 WWW.BOSTONCAREER.ORG

# myletters&games

## Letters

letters@metro.us

### Who here cares about Romney?

**RE: "ROMNEY MAKES HISTORY WITH WIN":** New Hampshire primary voters giving him a strong second-place showing makes the case that libertarian Republican Texas Congress member Ron Paul is the real story. Paul is polling No. 1 with under-30, first-time and independent voters. Many voters like Paul cherish economic and civil liberties. We believe what consenting adults consume, inhale, perform, read or view in the privacy of their own home isn't the concern of government. Paul opposes the massive deficit spending and Congressional earmarks supporting 10s of billions of dollars in pork-barrel member item spending. Paul offers voters a real choice versus the other GOP Presidential candidates who collectively offer more of the status quo. **LARRY PENNER, VIA E-MAIL**

I read a letter today about how fed up we are of Romney. Let's hear more about Ron Paul, because among college students that's who we all care about and who has a real chance to change our country. Let's talk more about what the other candidates bring to the table instead of making it a Romney show. **BETHANY LYNN BAUER, VIA E-MAIL**

I'm wondering if anyone is going to tell me who this Ron Paul is, because he keeps winning first and second place. I'm sure your readers would like to know more about this Ron Paul — in a one- or two-page article about the campaign and its top runners on the train ride to work. **BILL SWEENEY, VIA E-MAIL**

### Military cuts years too late

**RE: "MILITARY CUTS? NOT EXACTLY ...":** Marlena Sanitoyo's complaints about unethical military spending are eight years late and directed at the wrong president. Bush started the blood-letting, and Obama has stopped it. **J. ANDREW SMITH, VIA E-MAIL**

### Placing blame: It's all on Bush

**RE: "BLAME THE DEMOCRATS":** Mr. Capolupo's grasp of recent history is, put gently, lacking. Our current financial woes can be laid at the feet of irresponsible speculators on Wall Street and irresponsible tax policy (plus a couple of ill-advised wars) from the Bush Administration. If it comforts him to ignore the facts and blame the Democrats, that's his right, but he's not right. **JOSEPH CONNELL, VIA E-MAIL**

E-mail your letters: **letters@metro.us**

Keep them as brief as possible, preferably under 100 words. Metro reserves the right to edit all letters. Please include your name and contact information.

## Horoscope

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Because you'll instinctively know how to make life a fun game that attracts lots of other players, it's likely that your influence over your peers will be rather remarkable.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** Don't get all in a dither over some big changes for you that are being engineered by other people. What they put together could be better than what you could do yourself.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Three pals of yours with whom you are very close might introduce some interesting new elements into your social life. You'll find them fun.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** There are more than a few opportunities hovering about that could benefit your career and finances. Don't make light of them — squeeze out every last drop of potential.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** If possible, give vent to your spirit of adventure and do something different. You could make a boring routine into something scintillating.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Although you like joint involvements and you're lucky with them, it's important to avoid teaming up with someone who fails to grasp the point.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Something good can be done to strengthen an appealing relationship. This alliance has the possibility of becoming more than just a friendship.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** You're in a financial cycle at the moment that can have propitious peaks as well as devilish lows. Right now, the sun is likely to be shining, so make plenty of hay.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** No one will resent you stepping in and taking charge when they are struggling to keep their heads above water. In fact, they will greatly appreciate you saving them from drowning in their own financial turpitude.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Everything is moving in your favor at the moment, so put the final touches on a matter that has been giving you fits; now's the time to get it out of the way once and for all.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** You have a marvelous ability to elevate the level of hopes, aspirations and expectations of those with whom you're closely involved. Surprisingly, what benefits them will help you as well.

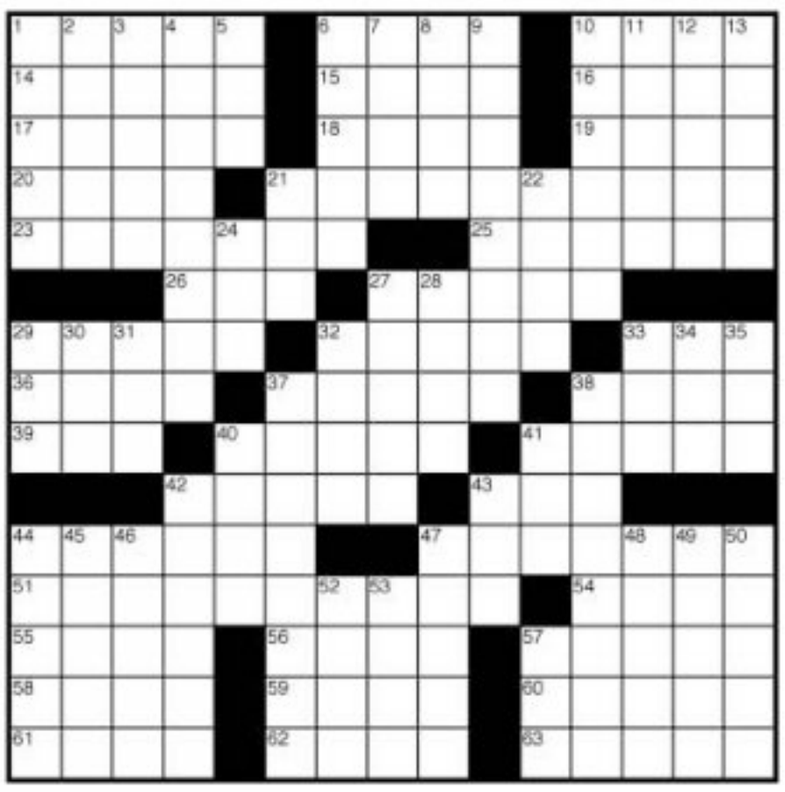
♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Major achievements are possible with both career-related and financial affairs. Even if there are some connections between the two, treat each sphere individually. **BERNICE BEDE OSOL**

**WRITE A LETTER TO METRO: SHARE YOUR VIEWS ON THE WORLD OF NEWS AND ENTERTAINMENT**

**LETTERS@METRO.US**

**Across**
1 Leftover
6 Not fem.
10 Flo's co-worker
14 Cut timber
15 Prefix for logical
16 Statuesque model
17 Wound marks
18 First capital of Japan
19 Bank dep.
20 Periodic table info (2 wds.)
21 Noisy insects
23 Dairy-case buys
25 Tuna salad ingredient
26 Frat letter
27 Tomato prop
29 Hotel employee
32 Rows
33 Passage
36 Monks' titles
37 Fishing gear
38 Oz penner
39 Thai temple
40 Refrigerant gas
41 Russian export
42 Parkas have them
43 Travel choice
44 Sponge up
47 Arrogate
51 Dilemmas
54 Broad valley
55 Natural impulse
56 Tampa Bay team
57 Fish finder
58 Mars, to Plato
59 Chive relative
60 Gemini symbol
61 Variety
62 Dust devil
63 Related to mom

**Down**
1 Theme
2 Hobby knife (hyph.)
3 Longbow's sound
4 Changes itinerary
5 Website clutter
6 Less
7 "Bonanza" brother
8 Eastern European
9 Freight units (2 wds.)
10 Feasible
11 Sajak or Trebek
12 Fast snake
13 Restive
21 252 calories
22 Cartoon shrieks
24 Lab denizen
27 Round buildings
28 Prom attender
29 Flag Day grp.
30 Coach Parseghian
31 Back muscle, briefly
32 Steel-__ boots
33 Crumple up
34 Razor-billed bird
35 Vocalist __ Sumac
37 In the cards
38 Tried hard(2 wds.)
40 Wade across
41 Contend
42 Straightforward
43 "__ Poetica"
44 Greenish-blue hues
45 Beast of burden
46 Wiser
47 Bothersome
48 Craze
49 Chlorophyll maker
50 To the point
52 Wished undone
53 Readied the bubbly
57 Sault __ Marie



| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 6 | | 2 | 4 | | 3 | | 1 |
| 8 | | | 6 | | | 4 | 5 | |
| 1 | | | | | | | | 2 |
| 9 | | 5 | | 2 | 4 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 7 | 3 | | 8 | | 9 |
| 3 | | | | | | | | 8 |
| | 9 | 8 | | | 1 | | | 5 |
| 4 | | 2 | | 5 | 7 | | 9 | |

SUDOKU **LEVEL: EASY**

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | | | 3 | | 1 | 8 | | |
| 6 | | | 4 | | | | 1 | |
| 1 | 7 | | | | | | 9 | |
| | 8 | | | 5 | 7 | 3 | | |
| 7 | | | | | | | | 8 |
| | | 4 | 1 | 8 | | | 7 | |
| | 6 | | | | | | 8 | 5 |
| | 1 | | | | 5 | | | 9 |
| | | 5 | 8 | | 2 | | | 7 |

SUDOKU **LEVEL: HARD**

**Solution to yesterday's crossword**

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| H | A | M | M | E | R | ■ | M | I | D | ■ | F | A | C | E |
| R | O | M | A | N | O | ■ | O | D | E | ■ | O | V | A | L |
| S | K | I | R | T | S | ■ | N | A | P | ■ | R | A | R | E |
| ■ | ■ | B | R | E | A | T | H | T | A | K | I | N | G | ■ |
| N | O | B | L | Y | ■ | R | H | O | ■ | R | I | L | E | Y |
| E | L | L | E | ■ | P | C | S | ■ | E | O | N | ■ | ■ | ■ |
| A | S | A | ■ | P | A | H | ■ | H | A | U | G | H | T | Y |
| R | E | M | ■ | O | R | E | ■ | E | T | S | ■ | Y | O | U |
| S | N | E | A | K | E | R | ■ | L | E | E | ■ | P | A | C |
| ■ | ■ | B | I | D | ■ | R | E | N | ■ | B | O | S | C | ■ |
| D | I | O | D | E | ■ | D | I | N | ■ | P | A | S | T | A |
| A | S | C | O | R | B | I | C | A | C | I | D | ■ | ■ | ■ |
| T | E | A | M | ■ | A | V | E | ■ | L | A | G | G | E | D |
| E | R | L | E | ■ | B | A | R | ■ | U | N | E | A | S | E |
| S | E | A | N | ■ | E | N | S | ■ | B | O | R | D | E | R |

**How to play Sudoku:** Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

SUDOKU SOLUTIONS: **WWW.METRO.US/PUZZLES**

**To advertise – phone: 617-210-7905 e-mail: adinfo@metro.us**

**METRO BOSTON | Editor in Chief:** Tony Metcalf tony.metcalf@metro.us, @edinchiefmetro | **Managing Editor:** Ron Varrial ron.varrial@metro.us **City Editor:** Jill Gadsby jill.gadsby@metro.us | **Features Editor:** Amber Ray amber.ray@metro.us, @amberatmetro | **Entertainment/Music Editor:** Pat Healy pat.healy@metro.us | **Sports Editor:** Adam Smartschan adam.smartschan@metro.us | **Deputy Features/Careers/Books/Travel editor:** Dorothy Robinson dorothy.robinson@metro.us **Home/Style editor:** Tina Chadha tina.chadha@metro.us **Film/Tech editor:** Heidi Patalano heidi.patalano@metro.us **Photo Editor:** Nicolaus Czarnecki nicolaus.czarnecki@metro.us

*As the world's largest global newspaper, Metro has more than 17 million readers in over 100 major cities in 17 countries* • **Metro Boston** 320 Congress St., 5th floor, Boston, Mass. 02210-1237 • **main:** 617-210-7905 • **sales:** 617-338-4880 • **e-mail:** adinfo@metro-boston.com • **distribution** 617-338-5909, e-mail: distribution@metro.us •**National Sales Director** Ed Abrams • **U.S. Distribution Director** Joseph Lauletta | **U.S. Marketing Director** • Priscilla Arguinzoni • **Advertisements appearing in Metro are published in good faith.** Metro does not endorse and makes no representations about any of the advertising content appearing in its pages. Metro is not responsible for any loss or damage whatsoever resulting from readers using the services of its advertisers. Readers should exercise caution when replying to advertisements, especially those which require any form of payment, and, where necessary, should seek independent legal advice.

Certified Audit CAC of Circulations metro

food&drink

# Drinking in full view is really for amateurs

**Back Bar may be hard to locate, but its mismatched charm and smart cocktails make it worth the hunt**

ERIN BALDASSARI/METRO

▶ Back Bar puts the whole "see and be seen" notion underground.

**If you go**

**Back Bar**
9 Sanborn Court, Somerville
617-718-0249
www.backbarunion.com

**THURSTY**

LUKE O'NEIL
LUKE.ONEIL@METRO.US

To find this new hot bar, you've got to go down an alley into a sketchy parking lot, look for the unmarked door, walk down a stark hallway that feels like it's in the middle of a construction site and head toward the sound of clinking glasses. It sounds like a parody of the New York City dining scene, but it's actually Somerville's new Back Bar, which, come to think of it, would fit in perfectly in Brooklyn.

"I would definitely agree with that," says co-owner Sam Treadway, previously of Drink.

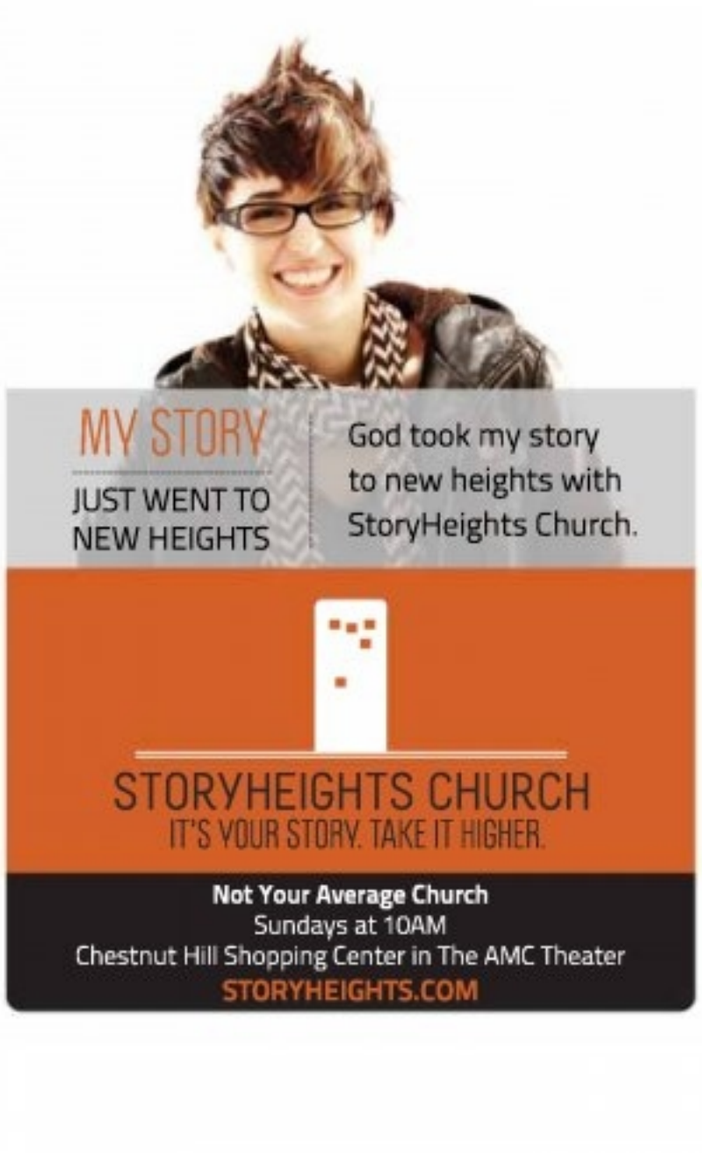
He co-owns the space along with the folks behind the adjacent Journeyman restaurant. Whatever city we're talking about, it's the coolest new bar to open this year that I've seen. Everyone is doing industrial-chic now, but Back Bar feels like they halted construction halfway through with its mismatch of bohemian design and raw building blocks. Bonus points, too, for feeling detached from the outside world. Drinking outside, or near windows, is for amateurs.

"We're going to clean it up, but we're not going to change the kind of stark hallway look to it," says Treadway, fresh from a stint opening a hotel bar in Hawaii. "We'll finish the paint job, make the floor look less gross — but besides that, it's still going to be ugly fluorescent lights when you walk in the door."

## And the drinks?

Treadway's main concern is the building materials behind the bar, of course. Working with the team from Journeyman, which has a stellar reputation for its approach to local, fresh ingredients, will influence his cocktail designs, he says. His background, coming from Drink, is classic recipes and techniques — but he's excited to flex his creative muscles by mixing foams and creating cocktails like his Smoke and Coke. It's Bacardi Oak Heart spiced rum, lime syrup, Moxie cola and bitters poured over ice that has been infused with billows of smoke during the freezing process.

Back Bar doesn't look like it cost a million dollars to open, but it still has a high standard for ingredients and takes its cocktails with the right blend of reverence and fun (although, like at Drink, you might have to wait longer for them to arrive). That's rare in this time of super-sized flashy launches. Places like this are a lot harder to find, sometimes by design.


MY STORY
JUST WENT TO NEW HEIGHTS
God took my story to new heights with StoryHeights Church.
STORYHEIGHTS CHURCH
IT'S YOUR STORY. TAKE IT HIGHER.
Not Your Average Church
Sundays at 10AM
Chestnut Hill Shopping Center in The AMC Theater
STORYHEIGHTS.COM

## The roundup

### ART

**'Histories of Now: Six Artists from Cairo'**
**Wednesday through March 17**
**School of the Museum of Fine Arts, 230 The Fenway, Boston, Free, 617-267-6100**
**www.smfa.edu/exhibitions**
The School of the Museum of Fine Arts presents the work of six video/new media artists — Mohamed Abla, Ahmed Basiony, Hala Elkoussy, Shady El Noshokaty, Sabah Naim and Moataz Nasr — all working in the context of and/or reacting to the recent upheavals in Egypt. Each has a unique vision, taking the viewer beyond headlines and into personal experience.

### MOVIES

**Dreileben Trilogy**
**Friday through Monday**
**Harvard Film Archive**
**24 Quincy St., Cambridge**
**$7-$9, 617-495-4700**
**www.hcl.harvard.edu/hfa**
In 2006, three members of Germany's "Berlin School" concocted a movie plot involving a police manhunt for an escaped convict in a fictional backwoods German town. Then, each made his own unique film around it. Harvard Film Archive screens the results: Christian Petzold's "Beats Being Dead," Dominik Graf's "Don't Follow Me Around" and Christoph Hochhausler's "One Minute of Darkness."

SHADY EL NOSHOKATY

▶ This still is from El Noshokaty's "Stammer — A Lecture in Theory" installation, part of the "Histories of Now" exhibit.

### COMEDY

**Tracy Morgan**
**Saturday, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m.**
**Wilbur Theatre**
**246 Tremont St., Boston**
**$49-$59, 800-745-3000**
**www.thewilburtheatre.com**
Loudmouth comedian Tracy Morgan is bigger than ever thanks to "30 Rock," but we'll always know him as Brian Fellows, animal enthusiast. Gregarious and charmingly cocky, Morgan is difficult to dislike. His comically absurd bluntness and political incorrectness got him into trouble last year with a rant that many called homophobic. This controversy will reportedly rear its ugly head on an upcoming "30 Rock" episode.

### CONVENTIONS

**Arisia 2012**
**Friday through Monday**
**Boston Westin Waterfront**
**425 Summer St., Boston**
**$10-$60, info@arisia.org**
**www.arisia.org**
Unlike the flashier corporate affairs, this annual local science-fiction convention is totally indie. It's run by the fans, for the fans. It's loaded with panels, screenings, dealers, an art show, a masquerade and more. Basically, it's geek heaven. The guests of honor are cartoonists/fantasy illustrators Phil and Kaja Foglio, best known for their comic relief Magic card work.

## Readings

FRANCO VOGT

▶ Shalom Auslander reads tonight at Brookline Booksmith (279 Harvard St., www.brooklinebooksmith.com).

# Three to get ready and 'Foreskin' to go

**"This American Life" contributor Shalom Auslander made a huge literary splash in 2007 with his memoir, "Foreskin's Lament" about leaving his Jewish faith. Now he's branching into the fiction territory with his audacious new novel "Hope: A Tragedy." Always entertaining, sometimes blasphemous (just wait until you learn the plot of "Hope: A Tragedy"), Auslander can always be counted on for a night of literary hijinks and thought-provoking discussion.** METRO/DR

## DANCE

**ThISt HaT ShoW no.4**
**Through Saturday**
**Central Square Theater**
**450 Mass. Ave., Cambridge**
**$10-$20, 800-838-3006**
**www.thisthatshow.org**
Choreographer Daniel McCusker presents the first part of his unconventionally capitalized annual showcase of works, mixing structure with the intuitive, created and performed by a host of choreographers and dancers. This weekend's lineup includes pieces by Lara Binder and Sheridan Thomas, Adriane Brayton, Nell Breyer, Audra Carabetta and Brian Crabtree. The second part runs next weekend.

## PERFORMANCE

**Magic for Smart People**
**Saturday, 10:30 a.m.**
**Regent Theatre**
**7 Medford St., Arlington**
**$7-$10, 781-646-4849**
**www.regenttheatre.com**
Local entertainer Bob the Magic Guy promises classic magic tricks, slapstick humor and stories all weaved together for a show entertaining to adults and kids alike. What makes it for "smart people"? We're not sure exactly, but Bob bears a passing resemblance to smart comedian Larry David, and he has a similarly sly and sardonic sense of humor.

## THEATER

**'ART'**
**Sunday through Feb. 5**
**Arsenal Center for the Arts**
**321 Arsenal St., Watertown**
**$20-$58, 617-923-8487**
**www.newrep.org**
In this comedy by Yasmina Reza, Serge, a neophyte art collector, purchases a starkly contemporary piece he's thrilled about — it's very expensive and very, well... basically, it's just a white canvas. His friend Marc refuses to accept it as art and is practically ready to unfriend Serge over it. Mutual friend Yvan tries to mediate their conflict.
MATTHEW DINARO

## Music listings

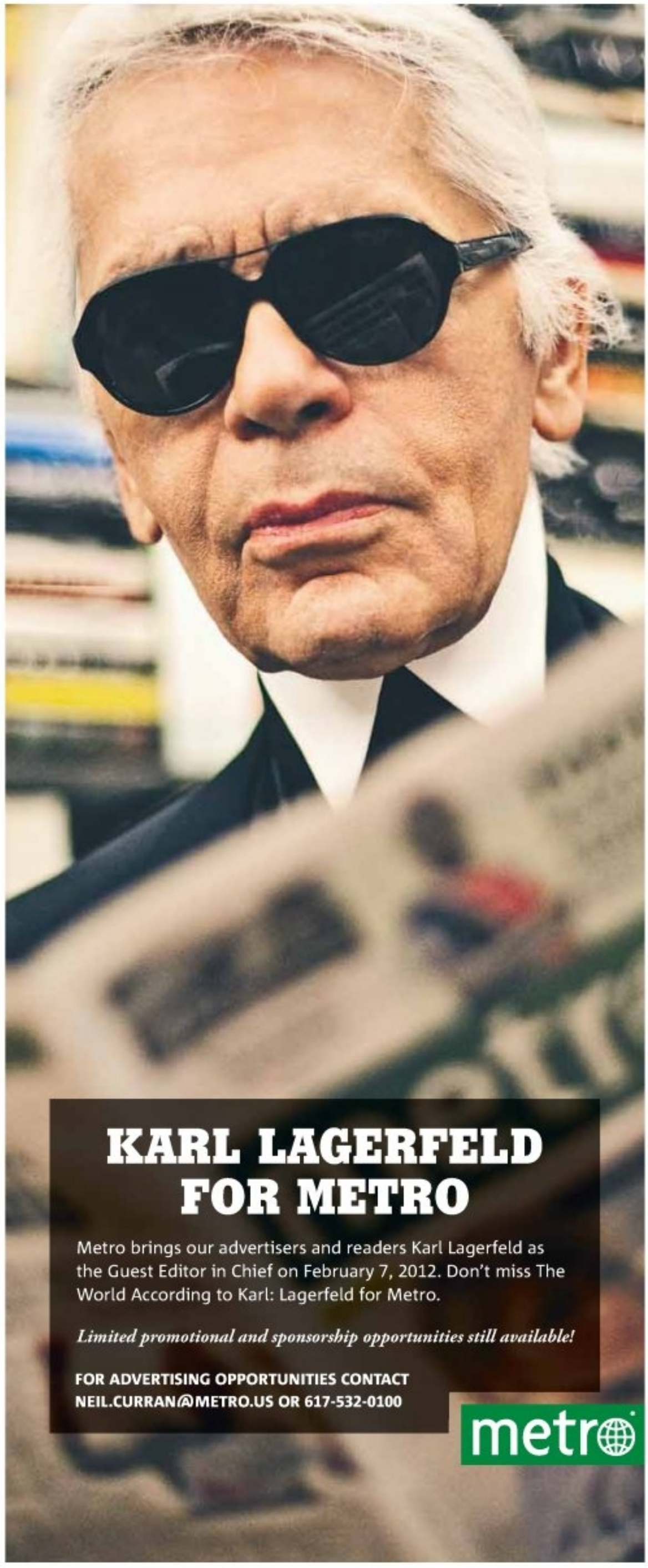
▶ **David Bowie 65th Birthday Tribute Show**
**Saturday, 8 p.m.**
**Middle East Upstairs**
**472 Mass. Ave., Cambridge**
**$10-$12, 18+, 617-864-EAST**
**www.mideastclub.com**
David Bowie is now officially a senior citizen, which means we'll have to rethink the meaning of "senior citizen." Preacher Roe, the Daily Pravda, Niki Luparelli and the Gold Diggers will pay musical tribute tonight, but we believe Bowie would appreciate the burlesque tribute by Machete and Through the Keyhole Burlesque that rounds out the evening most of all.

MICHAEL OCHS ARCHIVES

▶ Bowie is of retirement age?

▶ **The Toasters**
**Friday, 10 p.m.**
**T.T. the Bear's Place**
**16 Brookline St., Cambridge**
**$12, 617-492-2327**
**www.ttthebears.com**
As one of the key bands from the early days of third wave ska, New York's Toasters have been supplying skank fuel since 1981, paving the way for the genre's blowup in the '90s, empowering legions of high school marching band geeks to become cool, however briefly, by playing trumpet or trombone in a rock band.

▶ **FiLmprov**
**Friday, 7:30 p.m.**
**Killian Hall, MIT**
**160 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, free**
**mharvey@mit.edu**
**http://filmprov.tripod.com**
FiLmprov, another event titled in unconventional caps, combines kinetic films featuring found objects, courtesy of filmmaker Kate Matson, and live improvised jazz courtesy of trumpeter Mark Harvey and members of the Aardvark Jazz Orchestra. The band's spontaneous interpretation of the images makes for an intriguing exercise in the zen motto "first thought, best thought." METRO/MD


KARL LAGERFELD FOR METRO
Metro brings our advertisers and readers Karl Lagerfeld as the Guest Editor in Chief on February 7, 2012. Don't miss The World According to Karl: Lagerfeld for Metro.
Limited promotional and sponsorship opportunities still available!
FOR ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES CONTACT
NEIL.CURRAN@METRO.US OR 617-532-0100
metro

hot tickets

# Scud Mountain Boys are back in town

**After a bad breakup and 14 years of not even speaking to each other, Joe Pernice decided it was time to bury the hatchet and reform his short-lived alt-country band**

COURTESY OF ASHMONT RECORDS

▶ The Scud Mountain Boys are pictured here in their prime, holding a picture of themselves in their prime, holding a picture of themselves in their prime, etc.

When alt-country began to reach the height of indie rock consciousness, the Scud Mountain Boys of Northampton, Mass., went from being a blip on the local radar to a universally renowned band destined for reverence, but limited by brevity.

"We really weren't making records for all that long when you think about it," singer/songwriter Joe Pernice reminisces. "I think our first record came out in 1995. … Our second record came out in February of 1995. And then we signed a record deal with Sub Pop and recorded our third record in September of 1995. It came out April of 1996 and the band was broken up by July of 1997. I became a little detached in a way. I had already started feeling like I didn't want to do it. I was uncomfortable playing the music live."

The band possessed the smoky whisper of hushed vocals and back-country balladry with the southbound twang and slang of steel guitars. Not only was their career cut short, but their breakup led to more than a decade of bad blood and non-correspondence.

"When the band broke up, it wasn't a very good break," Pernice confesses. "We went from being tight friends to not speaking. I'm not kidding when I say I didn't say a word with them. I am the one who split up the band. I was the reason that it ended. I wanted to do something else."

Since then Pernice has recorded solo, recorded with his brother as Pernice Brothers, written two novels and co-founded Ashmont Records. Now, after relocating to Toronto, he's ready to be a Scud Mountain Boy again.

"It was really the death of our friend that was a catalyst for me," he says. "He was a good friend of ours, probably our biggest fan. … I listened to the music for the first time and thought it was really very good and maybe we should play a show just for fun. In my mind, it'd be a great reason to patch up with my old friends. You get older, and stuff really doesn't matter anymore."

NOLAN GAWRON
letters@metro.us

### If you go

**Scud Mountain Boys**
**Saturday, 8 p.m.**
**Brighton Music Hall**
**158 Brighton Ave., Boston**
**$18-$20, 800-745-3000**
**www.livenation.com**

### The moment of reunion

"I was playing a show in Boston, so I wrote an e-mail to Tom [Shea, drums, mandolin] and Steve [Desaulniers, guitar, piano, bass] and said 'I'm going to set up a bass rig and a few mics and here's my set list. I'm going to play these eight Scud Mountain Boys songs. If you wanna show up and play I'd love it, but if you want to drive on, I understand too. I knew Tom would show up, but Steve showed up too — not a word of conversation in 14 years. I was getting chills, really. It was very emotional. These guys were my good friends, and man, they sat in and it was like we never stopped playing."

## Tickets

**On sale now**

▶ **The Grouch**
with Rebelution and Pep Love
Tonight
House of Blues

▶ **Los Campesinos!**
Jan. 20
The Paradise

**On sale soon**

▶ Beirut

▶ **Van Halen**
with Kool & The Gang
Mar. 11
TD Garden
(On sale Saturday)

▶ **Snow Patrol**
with Ed Sheeran
Apr. 12
The Orpheum Theatre
(On sale Friday)

▶ **NEEDTOBREATHE**
The Reckoning 2012 Tour
with Ben Rector
Apr. 17
House of Blues
(On sale Friday)

▶ **Beirut**
Aug. 28
House of Blues
(On sale Friday)

## On stage

### The Remains

**Friday, 7 p.m.**
**Brighton Music Hall**
**158 Brighton Ave., Boston**
**$20, 800-745-3000**
**www.brightonmusichall.com**
Boston has a great garage rock scene today, but it is certainly not without precedent. Case in point: This killer band from the '60s, who appeared on "Ed Sullivan" and opened for the Beatles but never really blew up. Their 2006 reunion was documented for the 2008 film "America's Lost Band," and now they've returned to reclaim their hometown. And if you miss them on Friday, you can catch them on Saturday as part of the Hot Stove, Cool Music show at the Paradise, alongside greats like Susan Tedeschi, Derek Trucks and Deer Tick.

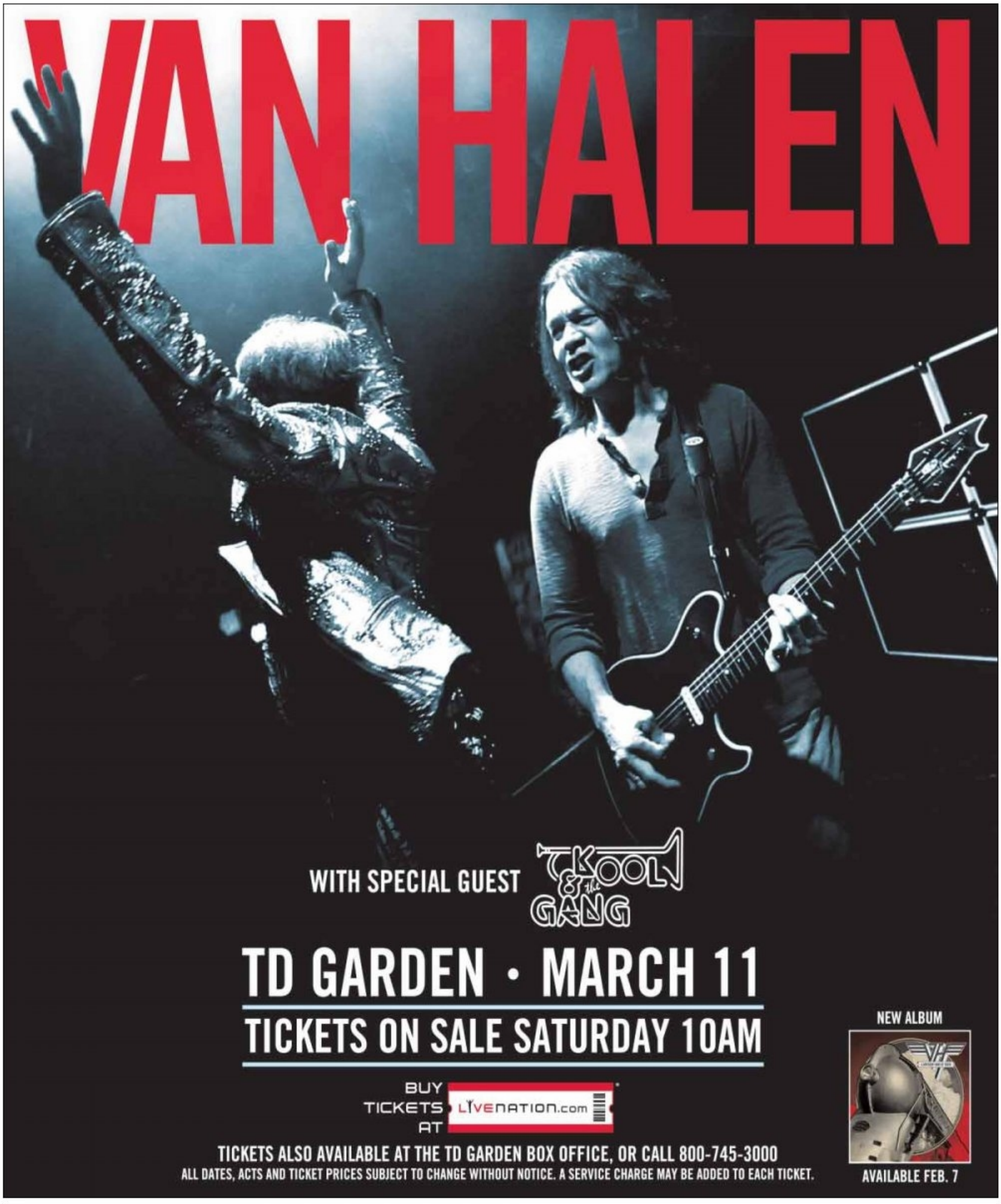
### Kirsten Opstad

**Saturday, 3:30 p.m.**

REBECCA OPSTAD

▶ Opstad celebrates 'Fear of Swimming' on Saturday.

**Club Passim**
**47 Palmer St., Cambridge**
**$10-$12, 617-492-7679**
**www.clubpassim.org**
On Saturday, Opstad releases her "Fear of Swimming" CD, which is full of bright and folky songs that feel cute upon first listen. But beneath the whimsical is something wistful, and silly analogies and fun instrumentation that at first make you smile may later make you reflect. Also on the bill are the Kristen Ford Band and Steve Subrizi. METRO/MD


VAN HALEN
WITH SPECIAL GUEST
KOOL & THE GANG
TD GARDEN · MARCH 11
TICKETS ON SALE SATURDAY 10AM
BUY TICKETS AT
LIVENATION.com
TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE AT THE TD GARDEN BOX OFFICE, OR CALL 800-745-3000
ALL DATES, ACTS AND TICKET PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE. A SERVICE CHARGE MAY BE ADDED TO EACH TICKET.
NEW ALBUM
AVAILABLE FEB. 7

3

## In the news

**Manny the role model?**

Former Red Sox star Manny Ramirez, who is looking to sign with a big-league team for the 2012 season, said in an interview with ESPN that he is trying to show that he is a changed man. The two reasons teams should sign him? "First because I can still play," Ramirez said. "Second, because I'm going to be a role model ... A bunch of guys are going to look at me and say hey, this guy made a mistake but he didn't quit. Look how he finished. He did the right thing and came back."

## Key matchups

- **Tim Tebow vs. Patriots secondary**
- **Breakdown:** The Patriots will likely take a much more passive approach than Pittsburgh did against Tebow. They'll likely force the QB to the sidelines.
- **Advantage:** Broncos

- **X-factor vs. Broncos secondary**
- **Breakdown:** Chad Ochocinco had his lone touchdown of the year against Denver. Look for a surprise character on offense to step up.
- **Advantage:** Patriots

- **Bill Belichick vs. John Fox**
- **Who wins:** This was one hell of a matchup in Super Bowl XXVIII when the Pats beat Carolina. Fox, however, hasn't done much since then.
- **Advantage:** Patriots

- **Patriots running backs vs. Denver defense**
- **Who wins:** The Pats backs had 141 yards against Denver in Week 15. The Broncos tough defense won't let that happen again.
- **Advantage:** Broncos

*On TV Saturday*

**Broncos vs. Patriots**
**8 p.m., CBS**

# Fresh faces look to learn from vets

**Wilfork the only defensive player to be part of Patriots playoff win ● Experienced offensive line providing leadership for green postseason players ● Light says it's been far too long since last playoff victory**

GETTY IMAGES

▶ Rob Ninkovich is one of many Patriots defenders to never taste a Pats playoff win.

Forgive this Patriots team if they can't accurately describe what it feels like to win a playoff game.

The truth is, most of these players haven't ever felt it. There are obviously a handful of veterans who have experienced success in the playoffs, but a number of those players experienced it on other teams.

In fact, just one member of the Patriots defense — Vince Wilfork — has won a playoff game with the Patriots.

One.

That tells you just how much the team has changed since their loss to the Giants in Super Bowl XLII, a season in which they won two playoff games prior to that infamous Sunday.

The Pats missed the postseason the following season, and were one and done in each of the next two.

The Broncos aren't in much better shape. Sure, they won last week — and mentally that's huge for them going forward — but one win doesn't equal experience.

Tim Tebow may have more playoff wins than Tom Brady over the last three seasons, but in no way is he more prepared.

Brady's preparation and having an offensive line filled with proven veterans such as Logan Mankins, Matt Light, and Brian Waters should give the Pats an edge. Light is a three-time Super Bowl champion protecting Brady, and realizes that since that last Super Bowl ring (2004), the Pats haven't taken advantage of golden opportunities.

"I mean, obviously we haven't done well enough," Light said. "It sits in all of our minds for the guys that have been here and been a part of that ... We've had a heck of run through the regular season. We've had a lot of guys step up and make a lot of plays to put us in this position. Now we have to do something with it."

**JIMMY TOSCANO**
sports@metro.us

## No chance

**From our friends at Cold, Hard football facts:**

- **Bad news for Broncos**
No team has made it as far as the conference championship with an 8-8 record.

- **Sorry Giants, Bengals**
No NFL team has ever won a Super Bowl with a 9-7 record. In fact, only two teams have made it to the Big Game with a 9-7 mark.

GETTY IMAGES

▶ Shawn Thornton has come out swinging in 2012.

# Thornton, B's ready to take on all-comers on, off Garden ice

Shawn Thornton is beloved in Boston for winning fights and protecting teammates on the ice.

Off the ice, Thornton slugged it out over the phone with a Vancouver columnist Tuesday, winning what is likely the last skirmish between the two teams — barring a Stanley Cup Finals rematch.

But perhaps the most telling comment during Thornton's postgame appearance on Comcast SportsNet came in reference to Canucks coach Alain Vigneault's not-so-subtle call for retribution against the suspended Brad Marchand.

"Not while I'm here," Thornton said. "That's my job to protect my players, and as long as I'm here, that's not going to happen."

Thornton will look to continue enforcing the ice tonight when the Canadiens visit TD Garden to take on the Bruins (7 p.m., NESN).

**JEFF GOLDBERG**

# Meadowlands madness: The 'Sanchize' ripped

The New York Jets meltdown continued this week as key Jets players anonymously questioned quarterback Mark Sanchez and hoped the franchise could somehow swing a deal for Peyton Manning.

"We have to bring in another quarterback that will make (Sanchez) work at practice," one player told the New York Daily News. "(Sanchez) is lazy and content because he knows he's not going to be benched."

Asked if the Jets should inquire about Manning, whose status in Indianapolis is in jeopardy due to the Colts interest in drafting Stanford quarterback Andrew Luck with the first overall pick in the NFL draft, a Jets source stated: "Come on. That's a no-brainer. If you have a chance to get a healthy 36-year-old Peyton Manning and you don't do it, then you're stupid. If I could get a healthy 36-year-old Peyton Manning, then, hell yeah, I would trade Sanchez."

GETTY IMAGES

▶ Sanchez

The Jets offensive makeup is already going through major changes as offensive coordinator Brian Shottenheimer won't return in 2012 and former Miami Dolphins head coach Tony Sparano is expected to take over the role. MATT BURKE

# Legacies are on the line Saturday in Foxboro

**Window closing on Belichick, Brady era ◐ Is this beginning of second string of Super Bowl title runs or will recent playoff trends continue? ◐ Duo looking for fourth ring**

The trend was looking quite similar to that of Michael Jordan's Bulls.

Tom Brady and Bill Belichick's Patriots had won three titles early in their New England tenure.

The Bulls two-year hiccup prior to winning another three titles came due to MJ's strange retirement from hoops in favor of minor league baseball.

The Patriots hiccup was also supposed to last only two years. Instead it's turned into a six-year break from the Lombardi Trophy.

But there's a strong feeling that the run isn't over.

Few would be absolutely floored if the Brady-Belichick duo closed things out in New England with one, two or even three more titles.

But if the Patriots lose this weekend to the Broncos?

"Clutch" will have fully given way to "choke." Brady and Belichick will look a lot more like Manning and Dungy than Jordan and Phil Jackson due to their recent one-and-done results in the playoffs.

Of course, all dynasties fizzle out at some point. Maybe we've already seen the best of Tom and Bill.

Chuck Noll's last title came in 1980. He was head coach of the Steelers until 1991.

GETTY IMAGES

▶ Tom Brady and Bill Belichick are seeking their fourth Super Bowl title together.

WRITE TO METRO:
LETTERS@METRO.US

Don Shula won his last title in 1974. He remained head coach of the Dolphins until 1995.

Tom Landry last won in 1978. He was head coach of the Cowboys until 1988.

Hall of Fame quarterbacks like Dan Marino and Joe Montana struggled to win big in their final few years.

So we've seen all this before.

Saturday night we'll get a better idea of which trend Brady and Belichick are following.

MATT BURKE
matthew.burke@metro.us

▶ Irsay

## Irsay nabs GM for Colts

Colts owner Jim Irsay hired Eagles director of player personnel Ryan Grigson as the team's new GM yesterday.

Grigson spent the past nine years in the Philadelphia organization.

His first few tasks will include retaining or firing coach Jim Caldwell and deciding what to do with the No. 1 overall pick. METRO

## New home for Jim Rome

Not a fan of Jim Rome? Then stay away from CBS.

The controversial sports broadcaster's jump to the network will include an expanded role in which he will be seen on CBS's "The NFL Today," Showtime's "Inside The NFL," March Madness, US Open tennis and Showtime boxing. METRO

# Medical Research

Check out Metro's Online Medical Research Directory at **health.metro.us**

metro health

To place an ad call **Neil Curran** at **617-532-0100** or email **neil.curran@metro.us**

---

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL

## Are you depressed and sometimes feel that people are out to hurt you?

Do you hear, see, feel, smell, or taste things that other people do not?

If so, you may be eligible to participate in a research study.

- **9 weekly visits**
- **You will receive medication at no cost**
- **Psychiatric and medical evaluation at no cost to you**

**Please contact Rita (617) 724-9142**

---

## Forsyth

## Do you have gum disease?

The Forsyth Institute is seeking research volunteers to study gum disease.

These studies require a screening appointment to see if you qualify.

You must be 18 years or older. Not all studies require gum disease. Compensation is available.

Please call us for more information at at 617-892-8213 or 617-892-8242 or email clinicaltrialsinfo@forsyth.org

---

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL

## HIV+ Volunteers Wanted

If you are 18-60 years old, you may be eligible for a one year research study looking at the effects of a cholesterol lowering medication at the Massachusetts General Hospital

Participants can receive up to $350 and will be reimbursed for transportation.

PARTNERS HEALTHCARE

For more information, contact Jeffrey Wei at (617) 724-8070
All inquiries are confidential.

---

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL

## DOES YOUR PSORIASIS BOTHER YOU?

You may be eligible to participate in a research study of an investigational medication

- 18 years of age or older
- Moderate to severe psoriasis
- At least 10% of skin affected
- About 15 study visits over 56 weeks
- You will receive compensation for participating in this study

For more information, please e-mail harvardskinstudies@partners.org or call (617)726-5066

---

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL | BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL

## ENROLL NOW!

- By enrolling in RSVP, you are not obligated to participate in a study.
- TOTALLY CONFIDENTIAL: You receive study information;

**YOU CHOOSE**
which study to contact.
Some studies pay stipends.

**VOLUNTEER TODAY!**

www.RSVPforHealth.org
Toll-free: 1-866-391-7030

---

metro health

## YOU CAN GET PAID *to* HELP FIND A CURE!

Find more medical research studies at **health.metro.us.**
Enroll in a study today and help the medical community find cures.

**TO PLACE AN AD CONTACT NEIL CURRAN**
*at* **617-532-0100** *or* **NEIL.CURRAN@METRO.US**

---

## Are You Diabetic?

**Do you have pain or loss of sensation in your feet?**

Be part of an NIH - funded research study testing a non-invasive medical device that may improve sensation in your feet and decrease your pain.

- 5 visits in Newton Center
- Home treatment
- Compensation up to $300

**Please call Beth at (617) 658-5839**

NORMATEC
*Normal Healing Through Technology*

---

## Do you suffer from chronic pain?

MEN 18-64, participate in a research study evaluating the effects of testosterone replacement on pain perception, pain tolerance & quality of life.

If you have non-cancer chronic pain and are on prescription pain medications you may qualify. Financial compensation provided.

**CALL 617-414-2936**
**www.androtrials.org**

BOSTON MEDICAL CENTER
EXCEPTIONAL CARE. WITHOUT EXCEPTION.

---

## DOWNLOAD 1,000s OF FREE E-BOOKS

## Visit Today!

**EDUCATIONOPTION.COM**
Your World of Education.

# metro classifieds

in print & online

**TO PLACE AN AD:** 866-900-9473 CLASSIFIEDS.METRO.US BOSTONCLASSIFIEDS@METRO.US

CLASSIFIED AD DEADLINE: 5PM TWO (2) BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE PUBLICATION

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**
All classified advertising is subject to the terms and conditions of the applicable Metro Classified rate card and to approval and acceptance at Metro U.S. option. Metro US reserves the right to edit, reject, cancel or reclassify an ad, and reserves the right to convert any classified advertising to alternative formats for use and publication in other Metro U.S. publications. It is the advertiser's sole responsibility to check each ad the first day it is published. Metro U.S. assumes no responsibility for any reason, for any error or omission in any ad.

metroclassifieds
TO PLACE AN AD CALL 866-900-9473

## For Sale

### Musical Instruments

**Top $$ Paid For Guitars**

We buy ALL Musical Inst. Guitars, Saxes, etc. We travel & PU Cash on the spot!

617-594-3255

**Cash for Records**

Wanted 33Lps & 45s
George 617-633-2682

## Career Training

**People Helping People**

It's just one of the great things about **Medical Assisting.** You could start training for new career opportunities today!

**Call now. 888-864-1333**

Sanford-Brown College
126 Newbury St. Boston, MA 02116
Sanford-Brown College, Inc. a private two-year college

**Medical Billing and Coding!**

With training from **Sanford-Brown College**
**Learn the skills used by:**
- Medical Office Biller
- Medical Office Assistant
- Medical Receptionist
- Medical Records Assistant

CALL NOW for information!
**888-864-1333**
126 Newbury St. Boston, MA 02116
Sanford-Brown College, Inc. a private two-year college

Get where you want to go with **confidence in yourself!** Sanford-Brown is committed to providing you what you need to help you succeed in the healthcare industry. Call Now!
**888-864-1333**
Sanford-Brown College
126 Newbury Street
Boston, MA 02116
Sanfordbrown.edu
Sanford-Brown College, Inc., a private two-year college.

**reserve your space**
DEADLINE: two (2) business days prior to publication at noon.
866-900-9473
metroclassifieds

## Jobs

### General Help Wanted

**$$ CASH FAST $$ BIG THINKERS**

$500+ a day simply returning phone calls no selling - no convincing - no explaining - IRS approved - my 1st 72 hours I received $2200. Single mom - Robin - PA
1-888-724-9324

**Windham™ PROFESSIONALS**

**Collectors Needed!**
**We are Expanding and We Need You!**

**Looking to hire 20+ for January 23, 2012!**

**Open Interview Day! No Appointment Necessary!**
**Mon1/16 & Tues 1/17**
**11:00am – 7:00pm both days**

Related collection, telemarketing, sales experience a plus!
Must possess a High School Diploma or GED
Apply online before open interview day if possible
www.windhampros.com

Windham Professionals
600 West Cummings Drive Suite 4650
Woburn, MA 01801

EOE/AA Employer

## Services

### Health & Beauty

**N E Professional Home Massage**

Therapy Assoc.
Home
Hotel
For Appointment
call 617-477-4086

### Cleaning

**Is your home dirty?**

Clean As A Whistle house cleaning service can help! Excellent references available. Call today!
617-407-3528
landfiest389@hotmail.com

## Health & Beauty

**Rainbow HEALTH CENTER**

Foot Reflexology
60 min.....$45

Deep Tissue
Asian Body Work
60 min.....$55

Deep Tissue
Asian Body Work
& Foot Reflexology
120 min.....$92

36 Gloucester Street
2nd Floor, Boston
(corner of Newbury & Gloucester Street)

617-859-5858
Or
68 Essex St. Boston MA

617-728-0088

### Cleaning

**Boston Carpet Care Solutions**

**Professional Carpet Cleaning**

**3 Rooms $79.99**

Call Now
For Appointment

1-888-553-6940

### Phone Services

## Phone Services

### Careers

**HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA FROM HOME**
6-8 weeks accredited
Get a Diploma! Get a Job!
**Call 24/7 for free brochure**
**1-800-264-8330**
**www.diplomafromhome.com**
**Benjamin Franklin High School**

## Vehicles

**Junk Cars Wanted**
**$350 - $5500 & up**

Extra Cash paid for Hondas, Toyotas, & Nissans
Any Location, Anytime
781-606-1271

**"Cash received at pickup".**

781-534-2118

Junk Cars, Trucks
and Wrecks
FREE "Towing"
Running or Not Working
Call for an Estimate

# www.metro.us

Post your comments

Take online polls

Read the Metro blogs

Find extended articles ...

## ... and much more

★MACY'S MILLION DOLLAR MAKEOVER WITH CLINTON KELLY

**CASTING CALL: READY TO MAKE YOUR DREAMS A REALITY?**
Macy's is teaming up with Clinton Kelly and TLC to help you bring your dreams to life. To submit your application from January 3 - 31, 2012, go to facebook.com/macys †No purchase necessary; complete details online. Employees of Macy's, Inc. not eligible.

NOW THROUGH MONDAY!

# SUPER WEEKEND SALE & CLEARANCE

# 50%-85% OFF

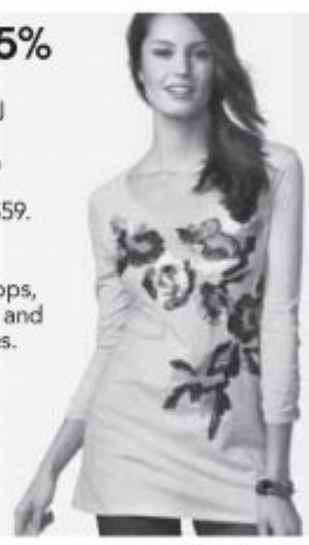
## PLUS, TAKE AN EXTRA 15% OR 10% OFF†

when you use your Macy's card or pass. †Exclusions apply; see pass

**FREE ONLINE SHIPPING EVERY DAY + EXTRA 15% OR 10% OFF!** Free shipping with $99 purchase
($8 flat-fee shipping for purchases under $99). Use promo code: *SUPER* for extra savings; offer valid 1/12-1/17/2012. Exclusions apply; see macys.com for details.

**75% OFF** CLEARANCE SPORTSWEAR Orig.* 39.50-$60. **Now 9.87-$15.** From Oscar de la Renta, Geoffrey Beene and more. S-XXL.

**70%-85% OFF** WHEN YOU TAKE AN EXTRA 40% OFF Orig.* $39-$59. **Final cost 5.99-12.39.** Clearance tops, pants, skirts and more. Misses.



**60% OFF** DESIGNER COATS Reg./Orig.* $180-$400. **Sale $72-$160.** From Calvin Klein, DKNY, Kenneth Cole and more. Misses.

**50%-65% OFF** JUNIORS' CLEARANCE Orig.* 19.50-$59. **Now 7.99-24.99.** Tops, tees, pants, more.

**60% OFF** CLEARANCE Orig.* 37.50-$650. **Now 13.12-$260.** Suits, sportcoats, dress shirts and ties from designers and famous makers.

**PLUS, TAKE AN EXTRA 15% OR 10% OFF†**
when you use your Macy's Card or savings pass during our Super Weekend Sale. †Exclusions apply, see pass.

★macy's **WOW!** PASS
EXTRA SAVINGS ON ALL SALE & CLEARANCE APPAREL!
(EXCEPT SPECIALS & SUPER BUYS)

## EXTRA 15% OFF

SELECT SALE & CLEARANCE APPAREL FOR HIM, HER & KIDS PLUS FINE & FASHION JEWELRY EXTRA 10% OFF All sale & clearance watches, shoes, coats, suits, dresses, intimates; suit separates & sportcoats for him & select home items

Excludes: Everyday Values (EDV), specials, super buys, furniture, mattresses, floor coverings, rugs, electrics & electronics,, cosmetics/fragrances, gift cards, jewelry trunk shows, previous purchases, special orders, selected licensed depts., special purchases, services, macys.com. Cannot be combined with any savings pass/coupon, extra discount or credit offer except opening a new Macy's account. EXTRA SAVINGS % APPLIED TO REDUCED PRICES.

0000160510031824112

VALID 1/12-1/16/2012

**65% TO 80% OFF** WHEN YOU TAKE AN EXTRA 30% OFF Orig.* 9.99-69.50. **Final cost 3.48-13.98.** Kids' clearance tops, sweaters pants, dresses & more. Girls' 2-16; boys' 2-20; infants' 3-24 mos.

**50%-85% OFF** WHEN YOU TAKE AN EXTRA 40% OFF Orig.* 2.99-4299.99. **Final cost 1.19-2210.99.** Home clearances: bed ensembles, sheet sets, tabletop, luggage & more.

**50% TO 75% OFF** BOOTS & SHOES Orig.* $39-$199. **Now 9.75-69.50.** Great selections from our clearance racks.

the magic of ★macy's .com

REG. & ORIG. PRICES ARE OFFERING PRICES AND SAVINGS MAY NOT BE BASED ON ACTUAL SALES. SOME ORIG. PRICES NOT IN EFFECT DURING THE PAST 90 DAYS. SUPER WEEKEND SALE PRICES IN EFFECT THROUGH 1/16/2012. *Intermediate price reductions may have been taken. Orig/Now and Special Purchase items will remain at advertised prices after event and are available while supplies last. Extra savings already taken off already reduced prices, "final cost" prices reflect extra savings. Advertised merchandise may not be carried at your local Macy's and selection may vary by store. Prices and merchandise may differ at macys.com. N1120027

OPEN A MACY'S ACCOUNT FOR EXTRA 15% SAVINGS THE FIRST 2 DAYS, UP TO $100, WITH MORE REWARDS TO COME. Macy's credit card is available subject to credit approval; new account savings valid the day your account is opened and the next day; excludes services, selected licensed departments, gift cards, restaurants, gourmet food & wine. The new account savings are limited to a total of $100; application must qualify for immediate approval to receive extra savings; employees not eligible.